

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jeremiah Simmons W4803

Lucy

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State of North Carolina Cumberland County: Court of Pleas & Court Sessions December Term 1832

On this sixth day of December A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipful Justices of said Court now sitting Jeremiah Simmons a resident of Sampson County who says he was born in the County of Sampson State aforesaid on the 9th day of January 1761, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated viz. He enlisted as a private soldier in the County of Bladen State aforesaid in the month of January in 1780 or 1781 under Captain James Mills (of whose company __ Slade was Lieutenant) for the term of 12 months that he was marched by Captain Mills who with Captains Jones and Coleman was under the command of Major Griffith MacRee [sic, Griffith John McRae] to the State of South Carolina to a place called Pon Pon beyond Ashley River where we joined the main Army under the command of Major General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] Pon Pon so was situate near Bacons Bridge. We were stationed here for some time does not recollect how long when we were marched to Ashley Hill on Ashley River at which place we remained until my term of service was nearly out when we were marched back into North Carolina to the town of Wilmington where I was discharged by Major MacRie [sic].

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity, except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Test: S/ D. McDiarmid

S/ Jeremiah Simmons, X his mark

The following Answers were returned to the Interrogatories prescribed by the War Department

1st I have answered this in my declaration

2nd. I have no record of my age

3rd. I lived in Sampson County where I have always lived up to this time & where I expect to live

4th. I have already answered this in my declaration.

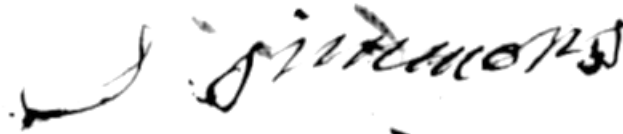
5th. I do not recollect any other officers names but those mentioned in my declaration.

6. I received a discharge from Major McRee but I left one Daniel Williams have it many years

ago & he has never returned it to me to try to get my land for it but he has never returned to me.
7th. I would refer to the Reverend David Thaney, Allen Hall Esq. of Sampson

This day Saunders Simmons¹ of Bladen County Personally Appeared in Open Court & Being First Duly Sworn According to Law Doth on His Oath Say That Jeremiah Simmons of Sampson County Who Has Subscribed the above Declaration Served for 12 Months in the Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War in Captain James Mills Company.

S/ S. Simmons



[David Thaney, a clergyman, and Allen Hall gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Saunders Simmons this day personally appeared in Open Court & maketh oath that he is the witness who proved the service of Jeremiah Simmons as a soldier of the Revolutionary War & the affidavit of which is embodied in the within Declaration of the said Jeremiah & the said Saunders further makes oath that he is 70 years of age & was in the service with the said Jeremiah during the War of the Revolution.

Sworn to & subscribed this 4th day of March 1832

S/ S. Simmons

[fn p. 13: January 23, 1844 in Sampson County North Carolina, Lucy Simmons, 78, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Jeremiah Simmons who was a pensioner for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$40 per annum; that she married him in December 1784; that her husband died October 4, 1840.]

[fn p. 16: family record:

Mary Simmons Daughter of Jeremiah Simmons and Lucy his wife was born February the 24th day in the year 1786

Charity Simmons was born September the 20th Day in the year 1789

Elizabeth Simmons was born December the 20th day in the year 1791

John Simmons was born March the 19th day in the year 1794

Leucey [or Lucy] Simmons was born February the 23rd day in the year 1796

James Simmons was born February the 28th day in the year 1798

Penelope Simmons was born March the 7th day in the year 179?

Blewford [or Beaufort] Simmons was born February the 12th day in the year 1802

Mariam [or Marium] sentiments was born February the 23rd day in the year 1804

Wiley Simmons was born July the 28th day in the year

Sander [or Sanders] Simmons was born June the 23rd day in the year

[facts in file:

Mary Simmons married Michael Horn

Charity Simmons married to William Nunnery

Elizabeth Simmons married Neill Campbell

Leucey or Lucy Simmons married Wiley Grice

¹ Sic, Sanders Simmons FPA S7516

James Simmons lived in Sampson County North Carolina in 1845

Penelope Simmons married Andrew U. Henry

Mariam Simmons married George T Melvin

all of the above named children were living in 1845 except Wiley Simmons whose date of death is not stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$\$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 12 months service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]