

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Archibald Wilson W4863 Martha fn38VA  
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State of North Carolina Guilford County: The 23rd day of April A.D. 1818

This day before me Joseph John Daniels one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Courts of Equity of said State, came Archibald Wilson of the County aforesaid, who being duly sworn deposed and saith that he belonged to Samuel Hopkins Company in the Sixth [?] Virginia Regiment of Infantry of the Continental Line during the Revolutionary War. That he entered the service on or about the first day of January 1776 and that he left the service on or about the same time in the year 1778, having been regularly discharged in the City of Philadelphia by Colonel Stewart, which discharge in writing is now lost or worn out by length of time – or destroyed by accident so that the same cannot now be produced.

And the said Archibald Wilson further deposed and saith, that he is in need of assistance of his country for Support from his present reduced circumstances in life as well as his advanced age being now of the age of sixty-six. –

S/ Archibald Wilson, X his mark

Sworn to before me

S/ J. J. Daniels, J. S. L. E.

[James Cole gave a supporting affidavit in which he makes reference to the circumstances of Archibald Wilson requiring support and saying that Wilson has 10 people in his family and but one of his sons able to assist in supporting the family; that Wilson rents the land that he tends.]

State of North Carolina Guilford County: Superior Quarter of Law October Term 1820

On this 27th day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Guilford Archibald Wilson aged sixty-four years Resident in Guilford County and State of North Carolina who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows (viz.) that he Enlisted in Captain Samuel Hopkins' Company and served in the Sixth Regiment of the Virginia line, and was wounded in the left arm at the battle of Germantown, the date of the original declaration was made on the 23rd day of April 1818 and has received a pension under a Certificate from the Secretary of War dated December the 10th 1818 and numbered 4,831 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me

subscribed

(To wit)

1 Sow and pigs	\$6.00
1 Cow	8
1 Mare	50
1 old cotton wheel	.50
1 Axe [?]	1.00
2 old plows	.50
2 old ovens	1.50
1 old pot	.75
1 lot of knives & forks	.25
1 Lot of plates	<u>.25</u>
	\$68.75

The Declarant's occupation is that of a farmer and is not able to pursue it by Reason of Musket Ball Lodged in his Left arm at the Battle of Germantown which Broke his arm just below the elbow which makes it some the shortest and is very painful to him when he labors hard.

The number, names & ages of his family residing with him

Patsy his wife	54	very infirm
Rima his daughter	22	very sickly
Sally do do	14	healthy
John and Joel twins	11 each	healthy

S/ Archibald Wilson, X his mark

[fn p. 12: On August 22, 1844 in Guilford County North Carolina, Thomas Wilson, 45, a resident of Guilford County made claim that he is one of the children and heirs at law of Martha Wilson the widow of Archibald Wilson who was a Continental soldier in the war of the Revolution pensioned under the 1818 act at the rate of \$96 per annum; that Archibald Wilson died December 21, 1828 leaving a widow, Martha Wilson who survived him but who died September 16th, 1843 leaving the following children her surviving: Thomas Wilson, Lodewick Wilson, Joel Wilson, Edward Wilson, Rimy Wilson, Sarah Wilson, Lina Wilson who intermarried with Branch Pitchford, all of lawful age; that his parents were married in 1784.



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[fn p. 14: On August 9th, 1844 in Guilford County North Carolina Philip Beville, 61, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Archibald and Martha Wilson for the last 50 years; that Archibald and Martha came from Mecklenburg County, Virginia in the year 1796 into Guilford County North Carolina; that they were married at the time they moved into North Carolina and he never heard their marriage doubted.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 23rd, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow's heirs received the pension at the rate

of \$80 per annum, being the pension due her from March 4th, 1843 to September 17, 1843 when she died.]