

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of Samuel Beavers W4887

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The State of Ohio }

Muskingum County }

On this [blank] day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Ohio for the County of Muskingum now sitting Samuel Beavers a resident of Washington Township in said County aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832.

That he was drafted at Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County Virginia in the month of August 1780 & was attached to the Company of Capt. Thomas Lewis in the Battallion commanded by Colonel Somers [probably Summers], that with said Company he marched to Richmond Va & there crossed the River to Petersburg [sic: Petersburg] thence to cabin Point [on James River in Surry County] & to the Isle of Wight County Va & there joined a body of Regular troops under the command of Col. Marryweathers [sic: Thomas Meriwether]. After remaining there some time he returned to the neighbourhood of Petersburg & was there discharged having completed the term of three months for which he was drafted.

In September of the year 1781 Declarant was again drafted at Loudon Co. Va. for three months, was attached to the Company of Capt Francis Russell in the Regiment of Col. George West at the Rendezvous at Bull Run Loudon Co. Va. thence marched through Fredericksburgh [sic: Fredericksburg] to Richmond & thence to the Gloucester side of York Town [sic: York River] where he remained on duty until after the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], after which he marched back through Richmond to Fredericksburgh, thence towards the barracks at Frederick town Maryland until he reached the River Potomac where he was discharged, having completed the second tour of three months.

Declarant was born at Loudon County Va. the 18th Jan'y 1762 & has no record of his age – he resided in said Loudon County until about the year 1794, then for about twenty one years in Fairfax Co. Va. & since that time in Washington Township Muskingum County Ohio. he never received a commission or a written discharge – Reference can be made for Declarant's character &c to the following persons who reside near Zanesville Muskingum County Ohio Wylly Silliman, Thomas Flood, George Prelgrave, William Cooksey, James Cummins & Limpse Cummins

Declarant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any state

[signed] Sam'l. Beavers

[Certified 5 Nov 1832. John Slack (pension application S4846) stated that he served with Beavers on the first tour. Thomas Flood stated that he had known Beavers since 1778 and knew of his services.]

NOTE: On 6 Feb 1847 Jane Beavers, 79, applied for a pension stating that she was married to Samuel Beavers by Rev. Richard Majors in Loudoun County on 8 May 1789, and that her husband died 23 June 1844. On 19 Aug 1847 her age was said to be 80. The file contains a copy of a bond signed on 6 May 1789 by Samuel Beavers and Richard Keen for the marriage of Beavers to Jane Flood, spinster, of Cameron Parish. She applied for bounty land with her signature certified on 10 May 1855 by Edwin Adams and Frances M. Flood. The file includes a letter received at the pension office on 10 Oct 1932 from Mrs. C. P. Simpson of West Sullivan, Maine, granddaughter of Samuel Beavers, who stated that he had also served in the War of 1812 and was called "Major Beavers."