

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Redman W5690

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State of Ohio Ross County —

The Depiontion of Isaac Redman of the County aforesaid taken this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1841, Before me, George Miller a Justice of the peace in Ross County the said Isaac Redman being first Duly Sworn Deposeth and saith that my father [see endnote] and Wm. Redman John Redman [pension application S43913] and Henry all inliste in the year 1777 and then marched to the North and was in the Brandywine and Germantown Battels in the same year [11 Sep and 4 Oct 1777] and in the winter they all came hom on furloaug 1778 and then my father hired a subitute in his place and then all three of my Brother was taken prisoners at Charlestown S.C [12 May 1780], and then sent to Halifax and then remained there till the close of the War, and then Brother Henry came home and in the year 1790 married to Irna Good [sic], near millwood fredrick County I was at the wedding but did not see them married but was told by the Company that was presant they was married by James Preyland a lisent minister and then remained at Millwood till the year 1794, and then removed from Millwood to Glouster to live with Col. Nath Burwell [Nathaniel Burwell, W18681] as a Distilar at Kings Mills I received a Letter from him in the year 1799 and Living in amhurst County imploy of Mr. Garland. and further this Deponant saith not. [signed] Isaac Redman

State of Virginia, Bedford County S.S.

On this 6 day of January 1842, before me a Justice Wm. O. Ward a Justice of the peace, in and for said County, personally appeared Mrs. Irena Redman Aged 69 a respectable resident of said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An Act, granting half pay and pensions for certain widows:" That she is the widow of Henry Redman dec'd. of said County who was a Fifer in the Revolutionary war, in the 8<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Reg'ts. that he enlisted in Jan'y. 1777, as declarant understood, under Capt Mathias Hite, in Frederick County Va. and was at the Battles of Brandywine, and G. Town and that his Father, and Two Brothers - Wm. and John was with him at the same time. That they all returned home on furlough - and all returned again into service except his father who hired a substitute in his place - that after Henry Redman, and his brothers returned into service - they were marched to the South and was at the surrender of Charlestown South Carolina, (to the British) in 1780 and was there taken prisoner, and carried to Halifax in Nova Scotia - and was detained as a prisoner to the end of the Revo'y war - that while in Halifax her husband Henry Redman, lived with Doct. Hallyburton, and Gov'r Fannel [see endnote] as a labourer and waitman. That she has frequently heard her husband the aforesaid Henry Redman say that he was entitled to land for his services - but having been taken prisoner at the close of the war, he never could obtain a regular discharge so as to enable him to get it. And declarant further declares that she was married to the said Henry Redman (a Fifer in the Revo'y war) in September 1790 in the County of Frederick, by the Rev'd. W. Pryland of the Baptist church; and that her husband the aforesaid Henry Redman died in January 1816. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz, at the time and place above stated, as will more fully appear by the proof annexed - that her maiden name was Goode, the daughter of Wm. Goode and married as above - but have no Family Register - that in 1794 declarant and her husband moved to Gloucester County, from thence to Amherst, and from thence to said County of Bedford about 40 years ago - and that she has remained unmarried ever since the death of her husband as aforesaid to the present time. declarant lost 3 of her oldest children - and that her oldest living son George is living in the West. Irena herXmark Redman

State of Virginia

Bedford County S.S.

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 1843 before me Frdk Anspaugh a Justice of the peace in and for said county personally appeared Mrs. Irena Redman Aged 70 years - a resident of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision, made by the Act of Congress, passed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 1843 granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary war.

That she is the widow of Henry Redman dec'd. of said county, who was a fifer in the Continental line of service, of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiments under the command at different times, of Captains David Carson, Wm. Croghan, and Jonathan Clarke's company - both in the north and south - and who died in said County on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1815.

that the annual amount of pension which she rec'd from the Gen'l. Gov't. as the widow of said Henry Redmans dec'd. under the Act of July 7, 1838 was \$88— per An. for 5 years - to witt, from the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836 to the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1841. And she further declares, that she is still a widow.  
Irena herXmark Redman

State of Virginia Bedford County S.S.

I David Saunders [pension application W3872] - Senior Justice of the peace in and for said county - do hereby Certify that I became acquainted with Henry Redman dec'd. of said County - (who was a fifer in my Reg't. or the Regt. (91<sup>st</sup>) that I commanded as Col in said County during the late war against G. Brittain) (and who was also a fifer by reputation in the Revolutionary war) in or about the year 1802 about which time he moved to said county. That deponant has frequently heard the said Henry Redman dec'd. say that he enlisted as Fifer in the County of Frederick during the Revolutionary war and that he heard the said Henry Redman also say that he belonged to the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Regts. of the Virginia Continental line, as fifer - and that Capt. Heite [sic: Mathias Hite, S38031] and Capt. Wm. Croghn [sic] also belonged to the Brigade the latter as Brigade Inspector (in 1778) which Brigade comprised 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup>. Regts. and perhaps others - and that the said Redman told dep. (who was also in Revo'y. War) that he was taken prisoner and carried to Halifax Nova Scotia. That deponant also recollects that the said Redman and his present widow, Irena Redman, had 2 or 3 chrildren when they moved to said county - the eldest of which was named George Washington Redman - and who was about 5 or 6 years old at the time (about 1802) they moved to said county and who if now living would be about 45 or 46 years old. that the said Redman died in said County about the year 1815 or 16 leaving his present widow Irena Redman who has remained unmarried ever since to the present time Given under my hand this 25<sup>th</sup> Jan'y. 1842 — [signed] David Saunders

NOTES:

A muster roll of Capt. Jonathan Clark's Company lists the following:  
Henry Redman jun'r fifer appointed 25 Jan 1777 Sick Hosp'l.  
Henry Redman Sr. 27 Jan 1777 Sick Hosp'l.  
John Redman 27 Jan 1777 Sick Hosp'l.  
William Redman 27 Jan 1777 Sick Hosp'l.

The Governors of Nova Scotia from the surrender of Charleston through the end of the war were Sir Richard Hughes, Sir Andrew Snape Hamond, John Parr, and Edmund Fanning.

The file also contains supporting depositions from James Redman of Mulinburg in Pickaway County OH, brother of Henry Redman. In addition W. L. Goggin of Bedford County on 22 Apr 1842 deposed that as a boy he heard a great deal of talk about "Old Redman the fifer" who "was stationed I think at a recruiting station during the late war."

Irena Redman apparently gave her age as 86 and signed her own name to an application for bounty land dated 27 July 1855.