

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Ring <sup>1</sup> W5701

Sarah Ring

f78NC

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State of North Carolina Stokes County} SS

On this 12th day of March 1833 Personally appeared in open Court before us the Justices of the County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of said County now sitting Thomas Ring Senior a Resident of North Carolina in the County aforesaid aged seventy-five years last December, who being first 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 of June 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as hereinafter stated (to wit) that he entered the Service as a private volunteer under a Capt. Robert Moore in the Spring of the year 1777 or 1778 he does not rightly recollect, in Caswell County North Carolina & marched from thence across the Roanoke [River] to Paytonsbury in Virginia & after serving 5 months returned to Caswell County & remained in this Service, in all 6 months & upwards under a Col. Archibald Lytle, the next Service was performed under a certain Underwood [William Underwood] as Ranger in pursuit of Tories in Surry County North Carolina, the exact time he does not recollect, but thinks it was in the year 1779 or 1780, for the Term of 15 days in the first service above mentioned this applicant states that he remained in the County of Caswell aforesaid in the erecting huts or barracks near Dixes ferry [sic, Dix's Ferry?], & that there were no Regular officers & Soldiers with them, during his Services that he has no Documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person now living in Stokes County whose Testimony he can procure who can Testify as to his services; the Questions being propounded first -- that he was born in Granville County in North Carolina, 2nd that he has a record in a Bible that he was born in December A.D. 1757 -- 3rd that he lived in Caswell County North Carolina when he first entered into Service for nine months in the Militia but a served only six & some small time upwards & was discharged. That he now resides in Stokes County North Carolina & has resided there ever since the Revolution, (which County was taken off of Surry County by Division) -- in the 5th Question he states that he was served in the Militia of North Carolina under the officers above named as a volunteer -- That he received a furlough or discharge of Col. Lytle or from his direction to his officers, which this applicant says he has lost or mislaid -- that he is acquainted with General Joseph W. Winston and the Rev. John L. Wilson who can Testify as to his Character & veracity & their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution &. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity, except the

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present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of State, Sworn & Subscribed the day and year above mentioned.

S/ Jno. Hill

S/ Thomas Ring, X his mark

[John L. Wilson, a clergyman, and Joseph W. Winston gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 10: Marriage bond dated May 13, 1799 issued in Stokes County North Carolina for the marriage of Thomas Ring to Sarah West; Thomas Ring & Lewis Waggoner, bondsmen.]

[p 15: On March 19, 1853 in Forsyth County North Carolina, Sarah Ring, 71, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she married Thomas Ring Senior on May 15 1799 in Stokes County North Carolina; that they were married by Charles Banner, JP.; that her husband Thomas Ring Senior died August 26, 1846 at his residence in Stokes County North Carolina; that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 19: On March 29, 1855 in Forsyth County North Carolina the widow, aged about 73, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner she signed this document with her mark.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 15 days in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

[Facts in file: Children are referred to but the only one named is a daughter, Nancy Snow; James Snow, in 1855 in Forsyth County, NC, gave an affidavit in which he states he is a nephew of Thomas Ring, Sr. The widow survived the American Civil War and applied and obtained the reinstatement of her pension following its termination.]