

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Rogers (Rodgers) W5732 Eliza fn41NC
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State of North Carolina Onslow County

On this 7th day of November A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Onslow North Carolina now sitting Daniel Rodgers a resident of Onslow County North Carolina aged seventy [word overwritten and obliterated] 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 June 7th 1832.

When this applicant was twenty years of age he enlisted in Beaufort in the State of North Carolina Carteret County under the command of Captain Enoch Ward, Benjamin Chamey [? Chancy?] Lieutenant. About 80 men composed his Company. Our company remained here about 3 years. We built us a small battery or 2 being apprehensive as it was a seaport town that the British would come in there. On one occasion our company marched from Beaufort one days march to intercept the passage of Major Craig from Wilmington to New Bern, but hearing that it was a false alarm we returned. Captain Ward discharged us after being under his command about 3 years. Applicant remembers nothing about a certificate of discharge.

After that some 4 months this applicant was drafted in Beaufort repaired to New Bern & thence marched under command of Major Pasteur to Kinston where we remained 3 or 4 weeks, waiting for other companies, & a large number of troops came. The combined forces then took up their line of march to the Western part of the State & this applicant after marching about 100 miles was taken sick & being unable to travel on foot was placed in a wagon. His sickness increased so much that he could not stand the jolting of the wagon & was left behind. This was about the last of the war, for shortly after applicant's recovery & return home from this trip, Peace was proclaimed.

This applicant has no documentary evidence to sustain the statement herein contained. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any State.

S/ Daniel Rogers

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ DW Sanders, CCC

[David Ward, Everett Simmons, Elijah Sandlin, Ed J. Jones, Luke Haggins gave the standard supporting affidavit. In their affidavit they state that they believe the veteran to be 76 years of age.]

Interrogatories

1st Where and in what year were you born?

A: In Virginia, on the Eastern shore, I was born in the year 1756

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans: Is at home in two books

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: In Carteret County when called into service & have lived & now living in Onslow for 40 years

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans: I enlisted voluntarily

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans: Our post being confined to Beaufort except for a few months knew no regular troops

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans: recollects nothing of a discharge

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans: Bazil Hawkins, David Kitchens, Thomas Owens & Benjamin Revaine

Sworn & subscribed the day & year above written S/ Daniel Rogers

State of North Carolina County of Carteret

On this 27 day of May 1833 personally appeared before me Rufus W. Davis one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Carteret aforesaid Arthur Merrill¹ Senior and Zeba Simpson both of lawful age and residence of the County & State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law do make the following deposition, to be used as evidence in a matter of application of Daniel Rogers of Onslow County & State aforesaid for a pension: --

Arthur Merrill Senior deposeseth and saith that he is well acquainted with Daniel Rogers of Onslow County North Carolina, was his guardian & gave his consent to said Daniel's joining the company in Beaufort North Carolina, commanded by Captain Enoch Ward in which company said Daniel served at least two years & he believes more but his memory has much failed & he cannot be very particular as to dates. This deponent further saith that said Daniel joined the company aforesaid in the very first part of the Revolutionary war & as he believes remained with it until it was dismissed & the men discharged. This deponent further saith that after said Daniel was discharged by Captain Ward he, said Daniel, was drafted for the Army & left his place of residence for the West.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day & year first above written
S/ Rufus W. Davis, JP S/ Arthur Merrill

Zeba Simpson deposeseth & saith that he knew Daniel Rogers of Onslow County North Carolina during the Revolution & knew that he served in the Company commanded by Captain Enoch Ward in the town of Beaufort North Carolina and that said Daniel served in said company at the least 2 years & believes for a longer period.

This Deponent further states that the service performed by said Daniel was during the first years

¹ This man wrote his name "Merrill"

of the Revolutionary War & believes the service began in the spring of 1777 & further this deponent saith not.

S/ Zeba Simpson

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year first above written

S/ Rufus W. Davis, JP

[fn p. 15: on December 6, 1853 in Onslow County North Carolina, Eliza Rodgers, 64, filed for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of Daniel Rodgers; that she married him August 12, 1822; that the ceremony was performed by Thompson Garret,² minister of the gospel, in Jones County North Carolina that she has no record of her marriage; that her husband died in Onslow County January 22, 1837 & that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 16: in her bounty land claim filed in 1855, the widow states that her name prior to her marriage was Eliza Standly.]

[fn p.17, on December 10, 1855 in Onslow County North Carolina Isaac T. Barber stated that he was well acquainted with Daniel Rogers prior to his marriage to Eliza; that Daniel had lived a bachelor until he married Eliza.]

[fn p. 38: Eliza was still alive on September 11, 1866 and still living in Onslow County when she, at age 79, filed for the reinstatement of her widow's pension following the Civil War.]

² in a later document dated in 1855 she refers to this man as "Thomas Garrett"