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Pension Application of Sampson Henderson W7339 Elizabeth Fuller VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 11 May 2015.

District of Virginia to wit

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 1819 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the County Court of Fairfax for the said District in open Court personally appeared Sampson Henderson aged sixty years, resident in Hampshier [sic: Hampshire] County in the said District who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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." That he the said Sampson Henderson enlisted in Fairfax County in the State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Cap. Thomas West in the month of November 1776. that he was attached to the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colo. Edward Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] under Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States for three years, when he was discharged from service in the State of South Carolina, that he was in the battles of Monmoth [sic: Monmouth NJ, 28 Jun 1778], and Sevannah in Georgia [sic: Siege of Savannah, 24 Sep - 19 Oct 1779] that in the last mentioned Battle he was wounded and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the evidence of Charles L Broadwater [Charles Lewis Broadwater, pension application S8096] — And at the same time personally appeared Charles L Broadwater who being first duly sworn, doth state that the above named Sampson Henderson was enlisted in Cap Thomas Wests Company in the month of Novem'r. 1776 in which Company he the said Broadwater acted as first Lieutenant, that the said Company was under Continental establishment, attached to the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colo. Edward Stephens, and that the said Sampson Henderson continued as a good soldier in the Army so long as he continued, which was until the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 1778.

[The following are from [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Hampshire County]

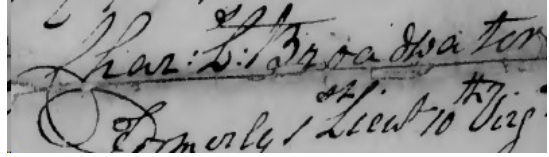
To the Honorable the Speaker and members of the House & the General Assembly of Virginia.

The petition of Sampson Henderson of Hampshire County Humbly Sheweth, that your petitioner did early in the revolutionary war inlist himself a soldier in the troops then raising in Virginia, that he was then marched into the Nothern states where he remained untill the capture of General Bourgouyne [John Burgoyne at Saratoga, 17 Sep 1777], that he was then ordered to Virginia one of the guard of those prisoners [arrived at Albemarle Barracks Jan 1779] from thence he was ordered to the Southward, that in an attempt to Savannah by Storm [9 Oct 1779] he received a musket ball in his thigh which very much fractured the bone and rendered him unfitt for service your petitioner [several illegible words] he remained untill he thought himself one more fit for military duty he then joined his reigment commanded by Colo. Richard Parker at a place that he thinks was called Augusta, the said Colo. Parker examined his wound and pronounced him unfit for military service and gave him his discharge [undeciphered word] discharge your petitioner has since unfortunately lost [page damaged] petitioner then returned to Virginia where he marr[ied and] raised a numerous family of children Your p[etitioner] begs leave yet further to shew that by reason of the beforemen[tioned] [page damaged] and the fetigues and hardships incident to the revolu[page damaged] in both the Northern and Southern climates he [page damaged] years been very much afflicted with Rheumattic [page damaged]plaints which have frequently laid him up for [page damaged] time, that for several years past he has been [page damaged] provision for either himself or family by reason of pain swellings and a week debilitated system. Your petitioner an aged man he has not bodily strength to travel nor has he the pecuniary means necessary for a journey therefore he cannot present himself in person before you, he therefore prays that this his petition may be read and that the

Legislature of his native State may grant him such support as may enable him to procure a few of the necessaries of life the remainder of his days. Sampson Henderson

I hereby Certify that Sampson Henderson was a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in Capt. Thom's. Wests Comp'. of the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regim't & the said Sampson by Information was March'd. to the Soutward & when he return'd, was wounded Given from under my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of April 1808

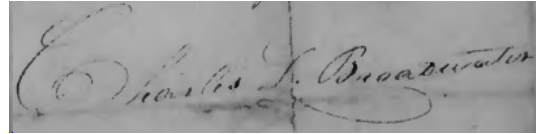
Char's L. Broadwater  
Formerly 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut 10<sup>th</sup> Virg'a Reg't.  
in Capt. Thos West's Comp'y

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Char: L. Broadwater" followed by "Formerly 1st Lieut 10th Virg'".

Dear Sir April 1<sup>st</sup> 1808

Your will receive this by Mr Sampson Henderson who was a Regular Soldier in the revolutionary War with me and got wounded at the Savannah Georgia, I have recommended him to you and hope you will do all in your power for him with Congress, as he is a fine man with a large Family and was a good Soldier

I am Dear Sir Your Obed't Ser't  
Charles L. Broadwater

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles L. Broadwater".

We the Subscribers as Neighbours do Certify that Sampson Henderson was a Soldier in the Revolutionary war & when he return'd home he was wounded given from under Our hands this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Apr'll 1808  
Timothy Carrington Edward Bates William hisXmark Henderson

Hampshire County Virginia

To all whom it may Concern, This will certify That at the request of Sampson Henderson I have examined his his right Thigh (Femur) and find indubitable evidence of a Fracture of the bone (Os Femoralis) of an Old standing, from a Rifle or Gun shot.

Given under my hands this 10<sup>th</sup> Nov'r. 1809. John Snyder, Surgeon/ 77<sup>th</sup> Reg't. Virg'a. Militia

Hampshire County Virginia Sct.

Personally appeared Sampson Henderson before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for said County, and made Oath upon the holy Evangelists, that he inlisted in Fairfax County Virg'a in the year '76 into a Company Commanded by Capt. Thomas West, Charles Broadwaters, first and John Cofer second Lieutenant & Thomas Pierson Ensign. That in the first instance he was marched to the Northward, Afterwards sent to Virginia as one of the guard to convey the prisoners taken with Gen'l. Bourgoyne. That he was afterwards ordered to the Southward in a Company Commanded by Capt [Tarlton] Payne, into a Regiment Commanded by Col. Richard Parker, that in an Attempt to take Savannah in Georgia by storm, he received a musket ball into his thigh which shivered the bone. That he was thence conveyed to Charleston Hospital and Cured. That he afterwards again joined his Regiment at a place which he thinks was called Augusta, where he was examined by his Col. R. Parker afores'd who immediately gave him his discharge on account of his disability. He further says that by reason of the wound aforesaid, and by reason of the fatigues & hardships particularly incident to the Revolutionary War in Northern & Southern climates, he has been very much afflicted for many years with Rheumatic & other Chronic complaints, which have frequently laid him up for weeks & months at a time. That for several of the last years he has been altogether unable to make provision either for himself or his helpless Family, by reason of Continued Pain, swellings & debility of system generally. He farther says that he has lost his discharge given to him by his Colo. That if he had bodily strength he has not sources to go in quest of other vouchers, admitting the could be had at this late period. That his only resource for a subsistence is on

God and on his Country. That in the Achievement of his Countrys Happiness & Independance he lost his Health his strength and the prime of his Life. Sampson X Henderson  
Subscribed & sworn, before me this 10<sup>th</sup> Novem'r. 1809. John Snyder

To Claims Ref;d. Dec'r. 7<sup>th</sup> 1809/ Reasonable Dec'r. 11 1809/ Reported 14<sup>th</sup> Dec'r 1809

[The following is from [bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do Certifie that Sampson Henderson enlisted into the Cont'l Army (10<sup>th</sup> Reg't. Capt'n. Wests Comp'y.) for three years which time he served & was properly discharged. Given under my hand Aug't. 22<sup>d</sup> 1786.

S Hawes [Samuel Hawes] formerly Lt. Colo. 1<sup>st</sup> Virg'a Regiment  
Entitled to depreciation from March seventy seven to March Eighty. If not settled.  
Aug't. 26<sup>th</sup> 1786 T. Meriwether.  
A Copy/ JDP Southall

[The following are from [pension records in the Library of Virginia.](#) Parts of the online images are missing.]

...to recover in my behalf Forty Dollars from the Treasury of Virginia, that being the sum allowed me for my immediate relief by an act of the Virginia Assembly passed on the [blank] day of February in this present year

Witness my Hand and Seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1810 Sampson hisXmark Henderson  
Signed & sealed in the presence of F. S. White/ James Henderson  
Hampshire Ss

This day Francis White personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he saw Sampson Henderson sign seal & acknowledge the foregoing power of Attorney to Christopher Heiskell as his Act & Deed and also that he is well acquainted with the said...

[The file contains several powers of attorney similar to the above, the last signed by Henderson being dated 21 Dec 1818. A power of attorney was signed on 19 Aug 1820 by James M. Offutt, administrator, stating that Henderson died on 7 July 1820.]

NOTE: On 25 Feb 1856 Elizabeth Fuller, 60, applied for a federal pension stating that she married Sampson Henderson about July 1812, and he died about July 1820 in Hampshire County "in the open field near their dwelling." She then married Stephen Fuller, who died 22 Jan 1854. One Larkin D. Henderson stated that he lived within 5 miles of Sampson and Elizabeth Henderson, that their marriage was never doubted, and that he saw Sampson Henderson dead in an open field near his dwelling. In applying for bounty land on 17 Mar 1856 Elizabeth Fuller stated that her maiden name was Elizabeth Groce, and that she married Stephen Fuller in Hampshire County about 1825. On 12 Oct 1863 Elizabeth Fuller stated that she lived in New Creek in Hampshire County (now in Mineral County WV), and she requested that her pension be paid in Washington, DC for the following reason: "That in consequence of the rebellion now existing in the State of Virginia against the Government and laws of the United States, in which she the said Elizabeth Fuller has had no participation or sympathy she is prevented from receiving her pension at Richmond... of which she is now greatly in need." On 27 Apr 1876 she again applied for a transfer of her pension, giving her address as Purgitsville in Hampshire County WV.