

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Benjamin Quinn W8966 Franky Quinn VA
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Scott County State of Kentucky

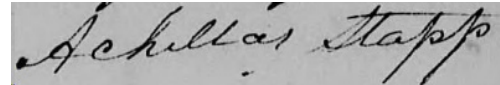
On this 2^d Day of May [1837] Personally appeared Before me a Justice of the Peice in and For the County Afforesaid Franky Quin a Resident of the County of Scott and State of Kentucky aged Eighty one years who being First duly Sworn according to law Doth on her Oath make the Following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the Act of Congress Passed July 4, 1836 That she is the Widow Benjamin Quin who was a Soldier of the Revolution on the virginia Lin [sic: Line] from the County of Culpeper Stat of Virginia and by Reason of old Age and in consequence of Loss of Memory She Cannot Swear positivly as to the Precise length of his services but According to the best of her Recollection He Served not a less Period Than Two years For such service I Claim a Pension And will detail to the best of my Recollection His services He entered the service in or near the Commencement of the war of the Revolution and was out on many and various tours as a soldier in the Militia all of which I believe he served untill the end of the time For which he entered and that he was Honorable Discharge but as to his Discharge and under whom he served I at this time have no Recollection but will Recollect of his being in the service at various times and of His being at Hillsburoug S Carolina [sic: Hillsborough NC] on one occasion and at Fedricksburg [sic: Fredericksburg] Virginia at another time She Positively Knows that he was often in the service and that He Encountered much Difficulty During his absence From hom and that she had to Labour with her own hands in making and saving of their Crops and Nurse and attend to their Children. She well Recollect of his Leaving hom in August on a Campain and of her being Left with her Four little children and having the whole Crop to save and to struggle through a verry hard and sever winter with her chidin and of her husband Returning in the spring of the year just one week before her dught Franky was born and of Remaining at hom about one month and of his being again called in the service From the Family Record it appears that Franky was borne the 22nd of March 1781 From The Delicat Situation in which she was and the Birth of her daughter as above stated Near abov enable her to Fix the time and Period of that Campain She well knowes that he was often in the service boath before and after the one as above named but she is unable to specify the number of Tours or the Lenght of time that he served on the different Campain but do well know that he was in the service at various tims more than two years and she believes the various Campain was in the Militia services as a volunteer and he was never on any Pension Rool in the united States She Further Declares she was married to the said Benjamin Quin in the year seventeen Hundred and Seventy one and that her Husband the aforesaid Benjamin Quin died on the 7 day of July Eighteen Hunded and Twenty three and that she has Remained a widow Ever since that Period as will more Fully appear by Reference to the Proof hereto Annexed

Franky Quinn

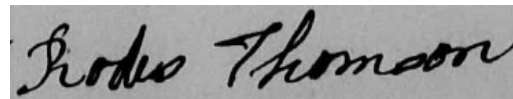
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Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peice in and For the County aforesaid Frankey Quin an aged and Respectiable lady of this County and Subscribed and made Oathe to the Trough of the Foregoing Declaration to best of her knowlede and belief and by Reason of Bodily infirmity she is unable to appear in Court and the Fowlowing Is a True Copy From her Family Record Benjamin Quin Sr was borne 5th[?] Feby 1747
Franky Vernon Now Franky Quin wife of Benjamin Quin was borne the Last Sunday in May 1756
Sally Quin Daughter of Benjamin and Frankey Quin was borne 4th July 1772 William Quin 17th April 1774 Elizabeth Quin 2nd Nov 1776 Milly Quin 18th Dec'r 1778. Franky Quin 22nd mach 1781 Benjamin Quin Junr Departed this life on monday 6th Janury 1823 Willis Quin 8 Jan 1823. James Quin 16 march 1823 Benjamin Quin Segr [Sr?] 7th day of July 1823 John Quin on Sunday 3^d day of August 1823 given from under my hand this day 2^d of May 1837

I Akilis Stapp [sic: Achilles Stapp, pension application W599] of Scott County Kentuckey stait that I was well acquainted with the Late Benjamin Quin in the Stat of Virginia and have Lived a Neighbour to him and his wife Franky in this Couty For more than Forty years and well know the said Benj Quin departed this life at or near the tim staited by his Widow in her Declaration and that she has remained a widow Ever since that Period and her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Quin was Reputed and believed to have been a Soldier of the Revolution in which opinion I concur and well Recollect of being informed during of the war of his being in the Servies in the South at which tim I was in the Servies in the North and of Conversing with him in relation to his being at Hillsburaugh in the State of S Carolina and of his being taken Sick on one occasion and obtaining a Furlow and leaving the Armeey I have Examind the Declaration of his Widow and beleave it Contains the Trough From what I have often heard and believe given From under my hand this 2 Day of May 1837

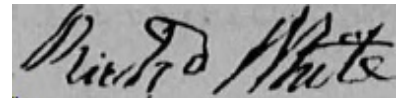


I Rhodes Thompson [Rodes Thomson S30737] of the County of Scott and State of Kentucky State That I was a Soldier of the war of the Revolution – That I moved to Kentucky from Virginia in the year seventeen hundred and eighty seven and soon afterwards I became acquainted with Benjamin Quinn the husband of Franky Quinn; and was intimately acquainted with him untill his death, which took place about twenty years ago and know him to have been a man of respectability, truth and piety; and to have been reputed and generally believed to have been a Soldier of the Revolution in the Neighbourhood where he resided, in which opinion I do most fully concur. I have frequently conversed with him, the said Benjamin Quinn, in relation to his services in the War of the Revolution, and know from statements made by him of things that transpired that he must have been in the service. Some short time after I moved to Kentucky I was appointed a Captain to command a Militia Company, and stated to them that I wanted some persons to act as Serjeants and the said Benjamin Quinn and Akillis Stapp stepped forward and offered their services and stated they had been soldiers in the War of the Revolution, which fact I believe was not doubted by any of the company, and they both appeared to understand their duty well as officers and stated that they learned it in the War of the Revolution. From what I have heard stated by the said Benjamin Quinn and others, I have no hesitation in stating that I believe him to have been a Soldier in the Revolution, and to have been married to his present Widow Franky Quinn, and that she was his wife during the war and untill his death. For she has been well known to me for more than Fifty years; and I know her to be a woman of truth respectability and piety, and full confidence can be given to any declaration made by her. I further state that I am in my ninetieth year. Given from under my hand this 30th day of January in the year 1844.



I Richard White [S6371] a resident of the County of Green [sic: Greene] and State of Virginia aged Ninety years, state that I was a soldier of the revolutionary war and draws a Pension, was aquainted with Benjamin Quinn of the County of Culpepper Virginia and know that he searved in the war of the Revolution as a militiaman and was a married man at the time he was in the army I am unable to give the date but it was the year that Genral [Horatio] Gates was defeated [at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780]. My Brother Henry White and Benjamin Quinn marched from Culpepper Court House the time stated above and it was in the fall of the year and marched to the South Benjamin Quinn was in the Battle that was fought where the American Army that was commanded by General Gates was defeated, that he searved at leas five months I searved a tower to Cabin point of two months while he was out, after I returned from Cabin point Richard Vernon who was Benjamin Quinns Father in law and myself went with horses to meet my Brother Henry and Quinn to bring them home within a days ride of

Salsbury [sic: Salisbury] North Carolina I heard that my Brother was dead I returned but Mr Vernon continued his journey but missed Quinn. Quinn and myself returned before Mr Vernon returned, Benjamin Quinn and my Brother Henry White was in the same Company and ridgement but from the great length of time and consequent loss of memory from old age I am unable to state the names of the Captain and Colonel they searved under but I know they were out to the south and was absent for at least five months or Quinn was my Brother dead as stated above. I have frequently heard Quinn speak of Gates' defeat and his being at it and I have hear others who was with him speak of searving with him. Benjamin Quinn was a man of respectability and truth stood high in his neighbourhood he was a member of the Baptist church, from his high standing as a man of truth and Pietty I do not doubt but he was at Gates defeat I never heard it douded I know it was spoken of in the neighbourhood and was unanesmostly believed I know he left home to go [interlined] to the South and he returned home and lived in this state a number of years and mooved to Kentucky the Benjamin Quinn of Culpepper who Married Richard Vernons Daughter and who was in the Southern army is the only man that I knew by that name Given from under my hand this 12th day of June 1845



I Johnothan Pratt [Jonathan Pratt S11263] a resident of the County of Albemarl [sic: Albemarle] and State of Virginia but now in the County of Orange, Virginia, State that I was a soldier of the revolutionary war in Captain Jasper Haynes Company and Col James Barbors ridgment from the County of Culpepper and State of Virginia we rendavoosed at Culpepper Court House. I there became acquainted with Benjamin Quinn who was a soldier in Captain Lewis' Company and the same ridgment that I was in, we marched from Culpepper Court House to Williamsburg and remained there two days and from there to Little York and remained there until after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] and then we marched to Winchester with the prisoners, under the Command of Major [Nathaniel] Welch and then we ware discharged on or near the fifteenth of december We left Culpepper Court house on or near the tenth of September Seventeen hundred and eighty one as draughted militia for three months. I frequently searved with Benjamin Quinn on guard. I know of my personal knowledg that he was a draughted soldier in Captain Lewises Company and marched with us from Culpepper Court House to Little York Via Williamsburg and that he remained at Little York until the Surrender of Cornwallis and that he marched with us to Winchester where he was discharged with myself the time above stated in the year of seventeen hundred and eighty-one after the close of the revolution Benjamin Quinn mooved to Kentucky. I am eightytwo years old Given under my hand this 11th day of June 1845

Jonathan hisXmark Pratt

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Be It Known that on this 21 dy of July 1845 Personally appeared before me the undersign a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Frankey Quin a residenter of the County of Scott State of Kentucky aged Eighty nin years who being first duly Sworn according to law doath on her oath make the Following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the act of Congress Passed July 4 1836 That She is the widow of Benjam Quin who was a Solder on the Virginia lin in the war of the revolution and was in the Service more than Two years Inconsequence of her great age and loss of memory It is at this great length of tim unable to state the officers under whom he Served or the battles he was in or to Specify the Particulars tour of duty he [one or two illegible words] but knows that he was ready at all times to go into the Service when ever it Come to his time at that he was out at various tims and that she had to plough their Corn and work their Crops whilst he was in the Army She thinks he was in the Militia Service and that his two Brothers William and James Quinn [William Quinn and James Quinn] who were younger than her husband was in the regular Service and

she well knows that one of Children were born whilst he was in the army She Further declares that she is unable to stat the time of her marriage but she knows it took place when she was in her Fifteen year of her age and that she had several Children to attend to when he was in the army And that her Husband the aforesaid Benjamin Quin died upwards of Twenty years ago the tim not now recollected [illegible word] and she has remained a widow ever since that Period as will more fully appear by referance to the proff hereto Annexed and her Famley record and the evidence of James Chisian and others which was Forward with her Former declaration and they have departed this life and she is at this tim unable to Prove the Serve of her husband as Fully as she would desire Franky Quinn
[Certified by Susan Branham of Scott County, 42, the 14th child of Benjamin and Franky Quinn.]

NOTE: The family record transcribed below is written in what appears to be a textbook on book keeping.

Franky Vernon Wife of Benj'n Quinn Sen'r was born the last sunday [30th] in May 1756
Benjamin Quin Sen'r. was born 5th of Feb'y 1747
Sally Quinn daugter of Benj & Frankey was born 4th July 17[last two digits (72) hidden]
Wm Quinn was born 17th of April 1774
Elizabeth Quinn was born 2nd of Nov'r 1776
Milly Quinn was born 18th Dec'r 1778
Frankey Quinn was born 22^d of March 1781
John Quinn was born 10th of January 1785
Richard Quinn was born 8th of August 1787
Nancy Quinn was born 22^d of Feb'y 1790
Benjamin Quinn Jun'r was born 9th of June 1792
James Quinn was born 20th Dec'r 1794
Anne Quinn was born 24th Jan'y 1797
Willis Quinn was born 27th of may 1799
Susanna Quinn was born 19th September 1803
William was Born 1821
Harriet was born 25th Jan'y. 1823