

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Martin Martin W9170

Dicy Martin

f61SC

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State of South Carolina:

Martin Martin Personally appeared before me David Johnson one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law in and for the State aforesaid, aged Sixty four years resident in the District of Spartanburg who being by me 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 & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war that he the said Martin Martin he enlisted in the State of South Carolina in the Continental service, & served in the 6th Regiment under Captain Doghead [sic, probably either Richard Doggett or William Doggett]<sup>1</sup> under Colonel Henderson [William Henderson], that he was in the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779], was at the siege of Savannah [September 16-October 9, 1779] was taken prisoner by the British at the fall of Charleston [May 12, 1780]; and deserted from the British; that he was in the service of the United States against the common enemy about Eighteen months; and that he is in reduced Circumstances & 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 --

Sworn to and subscribed before me this first day of March 1819.

S/ David Johnson

S/ Martin Martin, X his mark

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Schedule

District of Spartanburg South Carolina

On this 9th Day of April, 1823, personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for said District, Martin Martin aged Sixty Seven years, resident in said District who being first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows Enlisted under Captain Dogwood [sic, Doggett] 6th Regiment commanded by Colonel Henderson – No. of pension certificate 17,446 Registered by \_\_ in Book B, Volume 9, Page 155 -- Given at the war office 9th of June 1820.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed

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<sup>1</sup> Both Richard Doggett and William Doggett served as captains in the 6<sup>th</sup> SC Regiment on the Continental Establishment

of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed -- fifty acres of Land worth \$50 - twelve head of hogs \$15 -- five sheep \$7.50 -- two pots and one oven \$3 -- one iron wedge, ax & one fromg [?] \$2 -- Dishes, plates, spoons, knives & forks &c \$4 -- sitting chairs \$1.25 the aggregate amount of the above is \$82.75 -- By occupation a farmer unable to support myself by labor often afflicted with the piles & gravel my family seven in number wife, 60 years of age & subject to Rheumatism -- a Daughter by the name of Anna thirty-one years of age and is [?] crippled -- Willis twenty-one years of age my grandson Winston Wright ten years of age and grand daughter Polley aged eight years the five last named of my family are healthy and as far as their abilities will allow able to labor for their support.

Sworn to and declared before me on the 9th day of April 1823.

S/ Martin Martin

S/ E. Bomar, Clerk

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S. C. S. D. Personally came Abraham Hembree<sup>2</sup> before me and after being duly sworn saith that Martin Martin served as a regular Soldier in the 6th Regiment under Captain Doghead and that he served longer than 9 months in the United States Army in the Revolutionary War.

Sworn to & subscribed this 10th of November 1818 before me

S/ J. Camp, JP

S/ Abraham Hembree, X his mark

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State of South Carolina

Martin Martin as an amendment to his declaration made on the first day of March 1819 being first duly sworn deposeth that he is a native of the United States and is now & has been for 8 years now last past resident in the Spartanburg District in the State aforesaid. That he enlisted as well as he recollects in the year 1777 or 1778 but he is unable to fix a time with certainty, for the term of three years in the 6th Regiment of the South Carolina Continental line, Colonel William Henderson, in the company commanded by Captain Richard Dogwood [sic, Richard Doggett], and remained with that Regiment and was in the service stated in his said Declaration until the British took possession of Charleston in the month of May 1780, that he was then made a prisoner of war & remained with the enemy in that character for several weeks & made his escape & his term of service then being nearly expired & his Regiment being dispersed he never after joined it.

Sworn & subscribed before me this the 11th April 1820

S/ David Johnson

S/ Martin Martin, Q his mark

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South Carolina

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<sup>2</sup> [Abraham \(Abram\) Hembree \(Emery\) S38823](#)

Abraham Hembry [Hembree] being duly sworn deposes that he was well acquainted with the above named Martin Martin during the Revolutionary War, that he knows that the said Martin Martin was a common soldier in the 6th Regiment of the South Carolina Continental line for about two years immediately preceding the period at which the British took possession of the City of Charleston in the State aforesaid, in which Regiment the deponent was also a Soldier and as far as this deponent knows or believes the said Martin Martin discharged the duty of a soldier faithfully.

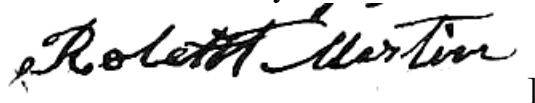
Sworn & subscribed before made this the 11th of April 1820

S/ David Johnson

S/ Abm Hembry, & his mark

[p 11: On September 9, 1839 in Spartanburg District South Carolina, Dicy Martin, 77, applied for a widow's pension under the 1836 and 1838 acts stating that she is the widow of Martin Martin; that she married him in 1781 (she cannot remember the day); that her husband died February 24, 1837; and that she remains his widow; she states that she has no record of her marriage but that they were married in Laurens District South Carolina; that they moved from there to Rutherford County North Carolina where they resided until they removed to Spartanburg District South Carolina in 1813. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 15: On March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1857 in Spartanburg District South Carolina, Robert Martin executed a power of attorney in which he states he is the son of Martin Martin and his wife Dicy; he authorizes his attorney to seek an increase in the pension paid to his mother.



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[Facts in file: In 1843, Dicy was living at Buck Creek, in Spartanburg District; she states she is now 87 years old;<sup>3</sup> she and her husband had a large family, 6 of their children being born before 1784; their eldest child was named Robert who was 57 in 1840 and in 1857 a resident of Spartanburg District, SC; Anna, aged 31 in 1823; Willis aged 21 in 1823.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 1, 1819, for service as a private for 3 years in the South Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum.]

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South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>4</sup> relating to Martin Martin  
Audited Account No. 4793

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<sup>3</sup> There is no explanation offered in the file materials for the disparity in her age from one declaration to the next.

<sup>4</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

The Petition of Martin Martin for Compensation Services Done in the Revolutionary War Claims

[p 8: The following document has been heavily edited for spelling]

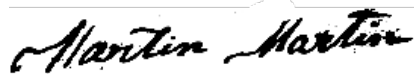
To the Honorable President of the Senate & Members of the Same – To whereas your petitioner being a Soldier in the Sixth Continental Regiment of South Carolina was transferred to the First and was taken prisoner in the Garrison of Charleston – Did petition your body for my pay which was Due to me for my Services During The last War By My attorney John Bird & the Prayers of your petitioner was Granted to the amount of one hundred & Ninety two Dollars & sixty six cents & the said Bird My attorney for your petitioner Did apply to his honor the Comptroller with a power of attorney from me to Collect My Money & it was drawn by Martin Martin<sup>5</sup> who was a Soldier in the State Troops under Col. Wade Hampton – My Said attorney applied to me to know if I had empowered any other person to Draw My money & I Told him I Did Not – & was sent with him to my Captain who Give Me a Certificate to the Comptroller Signed by other Captain & Major there in Charleston to let him know that I was the very Man that the money was Coming to – & then I applied to the Comptroller and My attorney with me But he said it was a very hard Case he believed I was the Man that a right to have the money But if I would petition your honorable Body there was no Doubt But I would get my money – I being a very poor Man and fought hard for my Country and has a Large Family of Children to Support & has raised three Sons two has turned out volunteers & the others ready at a moments warning to protect our beloved Country I pray & hope your Honorable Body will Grant Me Such Relief as my Case Deserves for which your petitioner as in Duty Bound to pray

Martin Martin, X his mark

[Note: There are documents in this file indicating that John Bird, Jr. purchased Martin's claim for pay and petitioned to get the money due Martin as his assignee. His signature appears as follows:



. Beginning of p 29, there are vouchers indicating that someone named Martin Martin received a pension from the State of SC for \$60 per annum with the first voucher being dated March 3, 1819 and the last being dated March 1, 1831. These vouchers, however bear the signature of the pensioner as follows:



. Given the fact that the Martin Martin whose documents appear above was not able to sign his name, I don't think these pension payments were made to this veteran.]

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<sup>5</sup> [Martin Martin SC4271](#)