

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Askins W9334

Mary Askins

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District of West Tennessee

On the 6th day of June 1818 George Askins a citizen of Rutherford County in said district came before me and claimed to be placed on the Pension list of the United States in consequence of his service in the revolutionary war, and after being duly sworn deposed & said that he enlisted into the Service of the United States in the year 1776 under the command of Captain Samuel Taylor in the 6th South Carolina Regiment commanded by Colonel Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] and served two years and four months, having enlisted for three years, but was discharged on account of his being subject to convulsive fits. Further states that he has lost his discharge or rather that he believes it was burned in his own house. That he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of aid from Government. That he never has had any pension from the United States or any State Government, that he is old and very infirm.

Sworn to & subscribed before me

S/ John McNairy

S/ George Askins, X his mark

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District of West Tennessee

George Askins late a private in the Army of the revolution aged sixty-six years a resident in the County of Rutherford in said District and whose name is inscribed on the pension list roll of the West Tennessee agency at the rate of \$8 per month to commence on the 6th day of June 1818 by a certificate given by the Secretary of War on the 2nd day of June 1820 Numbered 17353 personally appeared in open court for the County of Rutherford it being a court of Record in the State of Tennessee this 19th day of September 1820 and made the following declaration upon oath.

I George Askins do solemnly swear that some time in the year 1777 I enlisted for three years in the Army of the United States in the State of South Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Taylor in the 6th Regiment commanded by Colonel Sumpter in the line of the State of South Carolina. I was in the battle at Stono [June 20, 1779] near Charleston in the State of South Carolina and in that battle received a wound in my shoulder that I continued to serve until some time in the year 1780 when I was discharged from service by Colonel Henderson [William Henderson].

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a

resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed 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 18th 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

Schedule of George Askins property

one horse 14 years old blind of one eye	\$15
8 head of cattle	45
9 head of sheep	12
12 hogs & 24 pigs	40
2 old ovens 2 pots & 2 dishes	6
½ dozen pewter plates	1
3 or 4 knives & forks & 1 loom	<u>.25</u>
	\$179.25

My Occupation is Weaving but being afflicted with the Palsy for several years I am unable to follow my trade. I have none any family living with me but my wife Polly aged forty and daughter named Patsey aged seven years and one son named John aged two months.

S/ George Askins, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on the 19th of September 1820

Test: S/ Blackman Coleman, Clerk

[p 12: copy of a marriage bond dated September 27, 1815, issued in Rutherford County to George Askins and William W. Kavanagh to secure the marriage of Askins to Mary Williams.]

[p 15: On June 8, 1857 in Davidson County Tennessee, Mrs. Mary Askins, 74, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of George Askins, a pensioner of the United States for his services during the revolution at the rate of \$96 per annum; that she married him September 28, 1815 in Rutherford County Tennessee; that her husband died in Maury County Tennessee in the month of March 1832; that since his death she has not remarried. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 6, 1818 for 2 years service in the South Carolina line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to George Askins
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 180

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No. 28

[Book] O [Indent No. 392] 20 Apl. 85

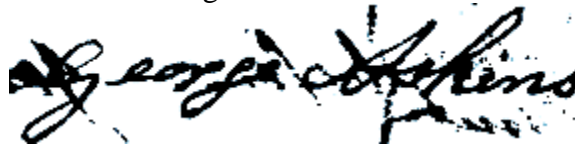
Mr. George Erskine his Account for Duty in the Militia per Captain John Calhoun's Pay Bill
Commencing in May 1781 and ending in April 1783 Amounting to [indecipherable word or

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>.

abbreviation] on Horse 120 Days	£120
On foot 30 Days	15
Also	
Duty to Col.	
[illegible]	<u>16</u>
[old South Carolina] Currency	<u>£151</u>
Stg. [Sterling]	£21.11.5

I Sign [assign] all my public Dues to William Calhoun full Value Received as witness my hand this the 3rd Day of April 1785

S/ George Askins



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State South Carolina

Dr. [deliver] to George Erskine	
for Militia Duty per Colonel John Calhoun's pay Bill from 1781 to 1783	
inclusive but 120 Days on horse	£120
30 Days on Foot	<u>15</u>
	£135
Per Colonel Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return	<u>16</u>
	<u>£151</u>
Stg	£21.11.5

[p 4: From of indent No. 392, Book O dated 20th April 1785 issued to George Erskine in the sum of £21.11.54 duty done in the Militia on foot and Horse in 1781 and 1783 per Account Audited.]