

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Redman R8643

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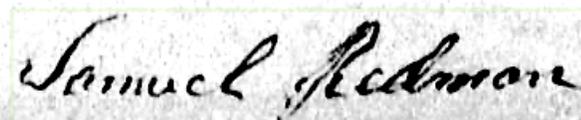
State of Illinois County of St. Clair SS

On this 21st day of February 1840 personally appeared in open Court, before the Circuit Court in and for the County of St. Clair and State of Illinois now sitting Samuel Redman a resident of the County of St. Clair and State of Illinois aged 74 years next July who being 1st 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. That he entered the service of the United States in July or August 1781 in Culpeper County State of Virginia as a volunteer substitute militia man and served in a company commanded by Captain Buchannan or Bohannan and was inspected and received into service by Colonel Benjamin Barber of the same County and state; marched from Culpeper County to Malbern Hills [Malvern Hills], from thence to Richmond thence to Williamsburg, was then in Colonel Dark's Regiment, Adjutant Metcalf or Medcalf, in a brigade commanded by General Stevens [Edward Stevens], was stationed a while on the River, above Yorktown; was frequently engaged in scouting the Country; paraded by night and by day; and was taken sick about the 10th of October 1781 and when recovered from his sickness, Cornwallis had surrendered [October 19, 1781], and there was no further call for a tour of militia duty against the enemy – Although he continued to perform militia duty in Culpeper County until the close of the war, and was required to be in constant readiness during all the time to obey any call that the government might make; the tour he served before taken sick, was 2 months he obtained no written discharge; has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency State

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Hay

S/ Samuel Redman¹

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Redman". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The letters are connected and fluid, characteristic of the late 18th or early 19th-century style.

[James Pulliam, a clergyman, and Joseph Lemen, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

This 22nd day of February A.D. 1840 personally appeared in open Court the Court then Judicially sitting in and for the County of St. Clair it being the Circuit Court of said County Samuel Redman who being duly sworn, made the following answers to the following

¹ Looks to me like he could have signed his name "Samuel Redmon."

interrogatories

First Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in Culpeper County in the State of Virginia in the year 1766.

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

Answer I have no record, I've recollect well the family record, it is in Virginia

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

Answer I was living in Culpeper County in Virginia State, when called into service, After that in Augusta, afterwards called Rockingham; then struck off into Pendleton; I remained there, until the spring of 1797 when I came to St. Clair County Illinois where I now reside –

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

Answer. I was a volunteer substitute, but do not recollect for whom I was a substitute.

Fifth 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.

Answer. I went into service under Captain Buchanan or Bohannan a militia officer and rendezvoused at Culpepper Courthouse, and marched to Malbourn Hills and there our officer being sick, we were transferred into the Continental line under Colonel Dark, Adjutant Metcalf or Medcalf. We was afterwards under Brigadier General Stevens in the militia

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

Ans-- I did not receive any discharge; our time of service had expired & we were disbanded before the taking of Cornwallis, and the succeeding body of militia taking our place were at the capture of Cornwallis; they just began to entrench in sight of York when I left there.

Seventh 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.

Answer – Joseph Lemen, & James Pulliam are clergyman, they live near me, all well acquainted with me, and can testify to my character for veracity and belief of my services.

[On May 7, 1853 in St. Clair County, Illinois, the veteran signed a power of attorney authorizing his attorney to pursue his claim for a pension.]