Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Sego (Seago) R9368 Elender fn31SC Transcribed by Will Graves 6/26/11

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State of Alabama County of Cherokee: SS

On this 16th day of May 1855 personally appeared before me the undersigned Probate Judge within and for the County and State aforesaid Elender Sego who first being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the laws of the United States which have been or may be enacted for the relief of widows of the Soldiers of the Revolutionary War. That her name was originally Elender Whorton that to the best of her belief and knowledge she was born on the 5th day of January A.D. 1764, and that she has now completed her ninety first year that her birth as she believes took place in Granville County North Carolina that when she was a mere child her father removed to Greenville District South Carolina – in which last mentioned County and States she was married to Robert Sego on the 15th day of September 1788. That her husband the said Robert Sego had served as a Soldier in the Revolutionary war a private as she believes before her marriage with him as aforesaid that he served two Towers [tours] of Duty, and was absent with the Army six months each time, and he served 3 or 4 towers of duty at which times he was absent from one to three months at each time. She further states to the best of her knowledge and belief he served in all about three years, but from extreme old age and failure of memory she is unable to state with any degree of certainty the Officers he served under, and many other incidents that would throw light upon the subject. The only fact that he positively knows is that he did active serve at the times above specified. That her husband the aforesaid Robert Sego and herself was intimately acquainted for some time and lived close together before their marriage, and she knows of her own knowledge, that he was absent, with the Army at the times above specified. That she was married to her husband the aforesaid Robert Sego on the day and year as above stated in Greenville District South Carolina by John Alston Esquire. She has heard her husband speak of the following Officers, General Lincoln, General Greene, Colonel or General Marion General Rutherford, Colonel Horry, Captain Harris and Captain Tompkins. She further states that he the best of her knowledge & belief her husband served under both Captains Harris & Tompkins, that she is almost certain he served as much as three months under Captain Tompkins in the Continental line, she thinks to the best of her knowledge & believe her husband was in the following engagements viz. Camden Briar Creek & the siege of Charleston. That her husband was taken a Prisoner by the British at Charleston, and remained in captivity some time, and he with some others (to use her own language) broke away from them and in running in the night and through the swamp near Charleston, he ruptured himself in the lower part of his abdomen, which finally in the course of time caused his death, which took place on the 17th day of April A.D. 1810, in Pendleton District South Carolina. She further states that she knows of no living witness of her husband's Service nor any record evidence of the same he had to certificates of Discharge and

many other papers in his possession when he died but they got burned up nor has she any record either public or private of her marriage except a family record in and instrument in writing commonly called a little Bond [?] dated 29th day May 1762 and various other papers, hereto submitted which papers has been in her possession ever since the death of her husband and that they have not, then altered, changed or amutelated [?] since they have been in her possession and that they have been in her possession ever since. That she removed from South Carolina to her son's Beryam Sego in Cherokee County State of Georgia from thence she removed to her son Robert Sego in Cherokee County Alabama & now resides in the last mentioned County & State, and is the widow of the aforesaid Robert Sego, and has remained his widow ever since his death, and still remains his widow.

That she hereby appoints Joseph T Stevens her true and lawful attorney with power of substitution to prosecute this her claim for a Pension to receive a Certificate when issued and to do all other acts necessary and proper in the premises.

S/ Elender Sego, X her mark

[facts in file:

John Sego or Segore was resident in Queen Anne's County [probably Maryland] in 1762

William Seago was born August 22, 1844

Ann Seago was born December 13, 1746

John Seago was born February 19,___

Robert Seago was born September 12, 1754

Abraham Seago was born February 6, 1757

Margret Seago was born August ___, 175___

James Seago was born January 18, 1762

Elizabeth Seago was born January 2, 1765

Benjamin Horton Seago was born January 20, 178

Sarah Seago was born February 4, 1786

Seago was born September 24, 1789

Jean Seago was born February 10, 1796