Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William T. Rodgers W11186 Ann Rodgers f24SC Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves 12/1/09: rev'd 7/4/22

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State of South Carolina Laurens District SS

On this eighth day of March in the year of our Lord 1845 personally appeared before the Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the District of Laurens Ann Rodgers a resident of the State of South Carolina in the District of Laurens aged Seventy four 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 7th, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of William T. Rodgers who served in the War of the Revolution as a private. That from the best information she has of the services of her deceased husband William T. Rodgers, he volunteered in Laurens District, State of South Carolina, in the month of April 1781 under Captain Lewis Duvall, ¹ Colonel Joseph Hays [sic, Joseph Hayes] and Colonel Levi Casey and performed service as a private, from that time until sometime in the month of January or February of the year 1783. That he was at the siege of Ninety Six in Ninety Six District, and his services were performed in the State of South Carolina and the Cherokee Nation. She further declares that she was married to the said William T. Rodgers on the 28th day of October in the year 1787, that her husband the aforesaid William T. Rodgers died the first day of June 1826; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 viz.: at the time above stated. That there is no record of her marriage.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written before S/W. D. Watts, JCOLD

S/ Ann Rodgers, X her mark

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South Carolina Laurens District Before the subscriber a Magistrate in and for the District aforesaid and duly authorized by the laws of the State to administer oaths, personally appeared Samuel Franks³ of Laurens District South Carolina a revolutionary pensioner of the United States, and being first duly sworn according to law makes oath that he was well acquainted with William T. Rodgers of Laurens District South Carolina that the said William T. Rodgers performed service as ace private in the War of the Revolution. That he volunteered in the month of April 1781 in Laurens District South Carolina under Captain Lewis Duvall, Colonel Joseph Hayes and Colonel Levi Casey -- That this deponent belonged to the same company and

¹ Lewis Duvall R3181

² May 21-June 19, 1781 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ninety_six.html

³ Samuel Franks W21160

Regiment, to which the said William T. Rodgers was attached -- that the said William T. Rodgers was at the siege of Ninety Six, his services were performed in the middle and upper part of the State of South Carolina; and that he continued to perform service from April 1781, until the month of February 1783. That he is well acquainted with Ann Rodgers of Laurens District South Carolina, that she is the widow of William T. Rodgers above named, that he was not at the marriage of said William T. Rodgers and Ann his wife, But knows that they commenced living together as husband and wife in the year 1787, and continued to live together, as husband and wife from that date, up to the time of the death of the said William T. Rodgers, which was in the year 1826.

Sworn to and subscribed this 8th day of March 1845 before me S/W. R. Farley, M. L. D.

S/ Samuel Franks

Samuel Frank

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South Carolina Laurens District Before the subscriber a Magistrate in and for the District aforesaid, and duly authorized by the laws of the State to administer oaths, personally appeared Charles Allen⁴ of Laurens District South Carolina, who is a revolutionary pensioner of the United States and being first duly sworn according to law, makes oath that he was well acquainted with William T. Rodgers of Laurens District South Carolina, that the said William T. Rodgers served as a private in the Revolutionary War, that he volunteered in the month of April 1781, in Laurens District South Carolina, then called Ninety Six District, the officers were Captain Lewis Duvall, Colonel Joseph Hayes, Colonel Levi Casey and General Pickens [Andrew Pickens], that this deponent, and the said William T. Rodgers entered the service at the same time and belonged to the same Regiment, up to the close of William T. Rodgers services, with the exception of four months in the year 1782, when this deponent was not attached to the same Regiment. That on his return to the Regiment, the said William T. Rodgers was still in the service, and continued to perform up to January or February in the year 1783. That he is also well acquainted with Ann Rodgers, that she is the widow of the said William T. Rodgers, that he was not present at the marriage of the said William T. and Ann Rodgers, but resided in the immediate neighborhood at the time of their marriage and thinks it was in the year 1787. That the deponent and the said William T. Rodgers and his wife Ann continued to live in the same neighborhood from the time of their marriage up to the death of the said William T. Rodgers, which was in the year 1826, and that they lived together as acknowledged husband and wife.

Sworn to and subscribed this 8th day of March 1845 before me S/W. R. Farley, M. L. D.

S/ Charles Allen

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South Carolina Laurens District Before me W. D. Watts Judge of the Court of Ordinary for Laurens District, personally appeared Charles Allen -- and being sworn as the law directs, makes

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⁴ Charles Allen S17819

oath, that in the year 1784 he settled & lived within two miles of what is now Laurens Court House in the District of Laurens South Carolina, that he lived at that place about four years -that he then moved one mile further from the Court House, where he has continued to reside to the present time -- That in the year 1788 William T. Rodgers and Ann Rodgers his wife were living at Laurens Court House in Laurens District as husband and wife. That this deponent is enabled to fix with precision the dates, as follows: that Major William Mulwee⁵ was Sheriff of Laurens District in the years 1785 and 6 -- and that William T. Rodgers acted as a Deputy under him for those two Years, in the year 1787 William T. Rodgers was a candidate for sheriff, and as deponent believes married in that year -- and those that in the years of 1788 & 1789 William Rodgers & Ann Rodgers were living at Laurens Court House as husband and wife.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of June 1843 [could be 1845] S/W. D. Watts, J.C.O. L. D.

S/ Charles Allen

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4, 1843, 4 her husband service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁶ relating to William Thomas Rodgers (Rogers) Audited Account No. 6550

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No. 68

[Book] T] [No.] 331

2nd July 85 [1785]

Mr. William T Rogers [sic] his account of Militia duty as private since the reduction of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency

£449.0.0

Stg. [Sterling] £64.2.10 1/4

Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by T. W. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

Gentlemen Please to Deliver the Indents & the Spaselty [sic, Specialty (referring to the interest due on the Indent)] thereto belonging to John Rodgers & you will Oblige

Your Humble Servant S/Wm Thos. Rodgers September 20th, 1785

⁵ William Milwee W9200

⁶ 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.

Messrs Black & Boquit Treasurers Certified before S/ John Rodgers, JP

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State of South Carolina

To William T Rogers [sic]

Dr.

Duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return [not extant] Currency

£449.0.0

Stg. £64.2.10 1/4

Received 5 October 1785 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 330 T by an Order

S/ John Rodgers

John Nodgers

[p 4: Printed form of Indent No. 331 Book T]

[p 5: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by William Rodgers and John Rodgers. It appears that William T Rodgers assign the indent to John Cunningham for value received on 15 August 1788 [last digit unclear].]