## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Williamson W3637 Rosa Williamson VA
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State South Carolina \ On this day 25th Sep'r. 1832 Personally appeared William Williamson in Anderson District } open court before the Court of General Sessions and Common pleas now sitting for the District of Anderson William Williamson a resident of the State of South Carolina in the District of Anderson Aged Sixty Seven years who being first 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 7, 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he entered the Army of the united States in 1781 in Essex county in the State of Virginia and that he first served 2 months as a substitute under Col. Webb – other officers not recollected and further states that he served 2 months under Capt John Evans As a Drafted Soldier and was stationed about a month at Williamsburg Virginia and was employed principally up and Down James River And further states that he was taken out in the Militia under Captain Gatewood other officers not recollected And attached to the french Artillery about 2 months officers not recollected and afterwards he was about 2 weeks employed at Gloucester near little york and was at the taking of Lord Cornwallis at york [19 Oct 1781]. 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 of this [sic] State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid William hisXmark Williams [sic]

## The State of South Carolina

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for Anderson District, in the State aforesaid William Williamson who being, duly sworn, deposeth and saith That by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his services but according to the best of his recollection, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below in the following grades: For the Year 1781 the Three Tours of Two Months each & one of two weeks in all Six Months two weeks or Six months and fourteen days as a private (6 Mo & 14 days) This deponent saith that from the distance from the place of his service & the great length of time, and that not knowing of any living witness who can testify to his service or were with him in the service and he does verily believe that he cannot procure testimony of his said services — That the answer to the interrogatories not satisfactorily answered he answers as follows &c.

- 1st. He was born in Essex County in Virginia in 1764
- 2<sup>d</sup>. He has no record of his age but understood that the record was made in the church in the County called the lower Church
- 3<sup>d</sup>. He lived in Essex County when called into the service
- 4<sup>th</sup>. He was called into service by draft or tours –
- 5<sup>th</sup>. He served with & became acquainted with Col. Webb General Washington, LaFayette of the Regulars & Capts Evan & Gatewood of the Militia –
- 6<sup>th</sup>. He got one discharge, the other times he was dismissed without a discharge but lost his discharge
- 7th. The rev'd Robert King, Matthew Gambrell, Wm McGee and Arthur Williams, & William Acker, George Manning William F Clinkscale Esquire and Col. Rice of the 4th. Reg't. of S.C Militia, & Halbert Acker Esq. Post master at Queensboro all are well acquainted with this deponent and he believes they will certify to his credibility –

Sworn to & subscribed the ninth day of July A. D. 1833 Wm. hisXmark Williamson

NOTE: On 17 Oct 1853 Rosa Williamson applied for a pension stating that she was married by a Baptist minister to William Williamson in Anderson District SC in 1795, and her husband died 28 Nov 1852. She submitted a record of the births of their children, which is transcribed below. On an application for

bounty land dated 7 May 1855 and witnessed by Mastin Williamson she was said to be 80.

Mastin Williamson was born December 12<sup>th</sup> 1795 James Williamson was born April 24<sup>th</sup> 1798 Mary Williamson was born May 15<sup>th</sup> 1801 Nancy Williamson was born May 21<sup>st</sup> 1803 William Williamson was orn February 5<sup>th</sup> 1806 David Williamson was born May 31<sup>st</sup> 1808 Sarrah Williamson was born January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1812 Jane Williamson was born March 18<sup>th</sup> 1813