Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Rodgers (Rogers) W4327 Nancy A. Rodgers f77SC Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves 12/1/09: rev'd 7/2/22

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[p 3: Note: Image quality of the documents in this file posted on Ancestry is much superior to the image quality posted on Fold3.com]
State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County}

On this the 24th of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before Philemon Morris one of the acting Justices of the Peace for the County & State aforesaid Hugh Rodgers a resident of the County & state aforesaid aged seventy-three 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein after stated.

Your Deponent states, that he was born in Ireland in the year 1759 -- that he has no record of his age -- was living in South Carolina when called into service -- is living in the County of Mecklenburg & State of North Carolina and has lived in that same County & State ever since the Revolutionary War -- was drafted for six months & volunteered for seven weeks. The first campaign in which your declarant served -- he was drafted for the term of three months -entered the service the first week in June (the year he cannot recollect) -- was living at the time in Lancaster District South Carolina – Carson [probably Andrew Carson of the New Acquisition District Regiment | was the Captain of the company to which he belonged -- Joseph Kershaw was Colonel commandant -- the other Field officers he cannot recollect -- marched from what is called the Waxhaw Settlement, to Camden thence on to Charleston -- thence to Bleaufort [sic, Beaufort] -- with no Continental Troops -- engaged in no Battle -- The object of the Campaign was to prevent the British Army from landing at Beaufort -- has no documentary evidence of the first tour in service three months. The second campaign -- was drafted -- was living in the same place that he was when drafted for the first campaign -- Frederick Kimble [sic, Frederick Kimball] was the Captain of the company to which your Declarant belonged -- Eli Kershaw was the Colonel commandant of the Regiment -- marched from the Waxhaw Settlement directly on to Augusta in Georgia -- joined General Williamson's [Andrew Williamson's] Army that was lying in that place -- engaged in no Battle -- was with some Continental Troops, but cannot recollect the name of any of their officers (save Williamson) -- Served three months -- has no documentary evidence of the fact. The third Campaign -- your Declarant volunteered his services -- Frederick Kimball was the Captain of the company & Colonel Washington [William Washington] was commandant of the Regiment -- marched from the Waxhaws in South Carolina on to Rugeley's Creek, thirteen miles North of Camden in the same State -- The Army took one

hundred & thirteen Tories at that place [Rugeley's Mill, December 4, 1780]¹ -- was in service at that time 8 days --. The fourth campaign -- Kimball was the only officer -- The object of the campaign was to take a party of Tories that were committing outrages in the Country -- was in service three weeks -- The fifth campaign -- your Declarant served for three weeks under General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] in South Carolina. Your Declarant states that he has no documentary evidence of any of his services -- he refers to the certificate of James that is hereunto annexed in order to authenticate his services. He further refers to the certificate of Samuel Rogers & Doctor B. S. Harris, to prove his veracity, & the belief of the neighborhood as to the services rendered by your declarant during the Revolution. Your Declarant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn & subscribed to the day & year aforesaid.

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I, James Rodgers of the County of Mecklenburg & State of North Carolina do hereby certify that Hugh Rodgers performed as to the services set forth in the above Declaration. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James Rodgers

James Redgers

[John B. S. Harris, Doctor of Medicine, & Samuel W. Rogers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 8-9 Family record which is largely illegible]

[p 11: On July 24, 1843 in Mecklenburg County North Carolina Nancy A. Rodgers, 77, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Hugh Rodgers; that she married him April 10, 1787 in Mecklenburg County North Carolina; that her husband died October 25, 1841; and that she remains his widow.]

[p 12: Affidavit given by Hannah Rodgers that Hugh Rodgers and Nancy A. Rogers were married April 10th, 1781 in Mecklenburg County at the house of Andrew Neel, the father of said Nancy; and that the ceremony was performed by Esquire Wilson of said County.]

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County: A copy of the Records of the Children of Hugh Rodgers Late Pensioner in his Wife Nancy A. Rodgers taken out of his Bible record of said Hugh Rodgers

1st Elisabeth Rodgers was born the 17th of January 1788 2nd Andrew N. Rodgers was born the 2nd day of June 1789

3. James Hodges was born the 12th of February 1791

¹ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rugeley_mills_2.html

- 4. Ann Rodgers was born 27th of September 1792
- 5. Jesse Rodgers was born 26th of September 1794
- 6. Hugh W. Rodgers was born the 24th of April 1797
- 7. John Rodgers was born the 3rd of July in the year 1799
- 8. Matildah Rodgers was born the 2nd of June 1801
- 9. Tinza H. Rodgers was born 2nd of June 1803

I Philemon Morris to hereby certify that the above statement of the ages of the Children of the late Hugh Rodgers (pensioner) as I found it recorded in the house Bible of the said Hugh Rodgers now in possession of his widow Nancy A. Rodgers is a true copy of those pages as found on record.

April 26, 1845 Test: S/ Philemon Morris, JP

N. B. Nancy A. Rodgers states to me that E. H. Rodgers, Samuel H. Rodgers and Silas Rodgers their three youngest sons their births was not recorded I am well acquainted with these three sons.

S/ P. Morris

[Facts in file: James Rodgers and Hannah Rodgers, brother and sister of the veteran, were living in Mecklenburg County, NC in 1844. James Rodgers made oath that his brother and his wife were married and had 'one or two' children when his (James') daughter Ann was born.]

[Veteran was pension at the rate of \$23.22 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 29 days in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]