## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Noel Turner W6323 Sarah fn80SC
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State of Mississippi Jackson County

On the 11th day of December 1832 Personally appeared in open Court, before the County Court of Jackson now sitting Noel Turner resident of the County of Jackson in State of Mississippi aged sixty-eight years May the 11th 1832 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

First entered the Militia of South Carolina under Captain Joseph Johnson shortly after the British took possession of Savannah and remained in regular service till peace was made under Frederick Womack and John Sapp Captains, generally ranging from Edisto [River] in South Carolina to Ogeechee [River] in Georgia and when called into service resided in South Carolina Barnwell district the claimant states that he was ordered into service by a general order of the commander in chief of that state and was at the battle of Golphins bluff on Savannah River under Captain Womack also at the Siege of Augusta Georgia under the command [of] General Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] working in the entrenchments and does not recollect another regular officer's name as he was not much with them only at the aforementioned battles being one then was detailed and went to Beach Island to sift meal for the troops at Charlestown was sent home from Augusta after the battle without any discharge and has no documents to show his service nor no person that he knows of he can establish the same by --

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 any State.

Quest. Where and in what year were you born

A. North Carolina Northampton County in the year of our Lord 1764 May 11th Quest. Have you any record of your age

A. Yes

Q. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live

Ans: South Carolina Orangeburg district and from there moved to Alabama 10 miles below Fort Mims one year from there to Leaf River Mississippi Territory Greene County in 1811 5 years on Chickasaw and Greene County Mississippi 10 years and from there I moved to where I now live on the head of Sider Creek [sic, Cider Creek?] In Jackson County Mississippi.

Ost. How were you called into service

Ans. By an order of Captain Johnson under whom I served about one year

Qst. State the names of some of the regular officers whom you were with the troops where you served such Continental and militia regiments a you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service

Ans: I was not particularly acquainted with any being with them only at 2 battles and not acquainted with any public concerns being an orphan boy and my general service was to keep guard on the rivers under the above named captains and never was attached to any particular regiments.

Qst did you ever receive a discharge from the service

Ans: no

Qst: 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 of your service as a soldier of the revolution.

Ans: Thomas C. Hunt and Cordell Hagin

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Noel Turner, X his mark

[Thomas C. Hunt, a clergyman, and Cordell Hagin gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Mississippi Jackson County

The amended application of Noel Turner, named in a former application, and to which this is attached, of the said County of Jackson for a pension under the Act of Congress June 7th 1832. --

The said Noel Turner, by way of amendment of his former application for a pension, makes and subscribes the following oath --

The State of Mississippi Jackson County

Personally appeared before the undersigned presiding Judge of the Circuit Court of the 4th judicial As district of the State of Mississippi, the said County of Jackson being in said District, the said Noel Turner 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 service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned below and in the following grade: for 3 years and 3 months I served as a private; and for such service I claim a pension.

Sworn to and subscribed to before made this 3rd day of September 1833 S/ Thomas A. Willis, Judge S/ Noel Turner, X his mark

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State of Alabama Mobile County

The amended application of Noel Turner named in a former application and a former of amendment to which this is attached for a pension under the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 -- the said Noel Turner having removed from the County of Jackson in the State of Mississippi some time in the month of March 1835 to his present residence in the said County of Mobile.

The said Noel Turner by way of amendment of his former application for a pension & the amended application hereunto attached makes & subscribes the following oath that viz. --

Personally appeared before the subscriber William M. Garrow, Judge of the County Court

in and for the County of Mobile in the State of Alabama the said Noel Turner who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was in the actual service of the United States, in the time of what is commonly called the Revolutionary War from the time of the fall of Savannah up to the time of the taking of Augusta by General Clarke -- that he was in both of these battles but that in consequence of old age and infirmity he does not recollect the precise time which transpired between those 2 events, that he fought in both of said battles on the side of the United States -but cannot except from written history (which affiant does not know that he would be permitted to use) [illegible] what length of time it was -- according to the best of his recollection it was 3 years and 3 months, that he served as a private -- that he served all this time in the Army & not in any civil pursuit -- that he was first called into service by Captain Johnson (Joseph) who had authority to do so -- that he thinks he served under him for one year or more, then served under Frederick Womack -- Captain, for considerable length of time and next served under Captain John Sapp that he thinks the said Captains were all of the same Regiment, but does not recollect the number or name of the Regiment but he believes that \_\_ was the commanding officer of said Regiment; that he was except at the time of the battles aforesaid generally scouting or ranging between the Edisto & the Ogeechee Rivers -- that Joshua Inman & Shadrach Inman were officers of Johnson's as well as Womack's Company, but does not recollect their grades -- that he does not distinctly recollect the names of any other officers under whom he served as he was often detached from the main companies on scouting parties.

Also personally appeared at the same time before the undersigned Judge of the County Court of the said County of Mobile in the said State of Alabama John Mason of the said County who made solemn oath that he is 67 years of age & upwards -- that after the fall of Augusta, in the Revolutionary war (soon after the same) he saw the said Noel Turner in the service of the United States, that he belonged to the regular Army. -- that he saw the said Turner several times performing duty -- that after that time he was well acquainted with the said Turner in Barnwell District in the State of South Carolina -- that affiant knew him in that place up to the year 1807 or thereabouts, that he afterwards knew him in the state of Mississippi, & has known him ever since he has lived in the State of Alabama. And affiant further states that the Noel Turner did without doubt belonged to the revolutionary Army.

S/ Noel Turner, X his mark S/ John Mason

Sworn to and subscribed before me by the said Noel Turner & John Mason severally this the 12th November 1835

S/Wm M. Garrow, Judge

[Jacob G. Collins, a clergyman, and John Mason gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 7][original on fn p. 21] Record of Ages Noel Turner Senior was born May 11th 1764 Sarah Turner was born February 22 1767 Enoch Turner was born October 29 1780 he Charles Turner was born October 8th 1790 Mary Turner was born October 14th 1792 Cloey Turner was born February 14th 1795 Sarah Turner was born August the 18th 1797 Nicy Turner was born February 5th 1800 William Turner was born July 30th 1802
John Turner was born February 9th 1805
Noel Turner Junior was born August 8th 1807
James Turner was born November 19th 1810
Henry Turner was born December 4th 1813
Noel Turner Senior Deceased in the year while Lord 1837 January the 21<sup>st</sup>

[fn p. 9: on January 14th 1855 in Mobile County Alabama, Sarah Turner, 88, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Noel Turner a revolutionary pensioner for his services; that she married him in 1787; that he died January 21, 1837; and that she has remained his widow.]