Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Samuel Martin R15990 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of North Carolina }
Davidson County }

On this the nineteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred & forty three personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in & for Davidson County State of North Carolina Jennet Martin a Resident in the County of Davidson & State of North Carolina aged eighty 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 4th 1836: That she is the widow of Samuel Martin who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. That her husband the said Samuel Martin in the early part of April in the year seventeen hundred & eighty then residing in Guilford County State of North Carolina was drafted & entered the service of the United States under the command of Captain Peter Oneal [Peter O'Neal], Henry Davis Lieutenant, Solomon Cobb Ensign & Calid Johnson Sergeant. The Company to which he was attached was imployed a short time after he was drafted in defending the citizens against the Tories who were very numerous in that part of North Carolina. In May to the best of her recollection the Company to which her husband the said Samuel Martin belonged joined the North Carolina Division under the command of Gen. [Richard] Caswell near Hillsboro [sic: Hillsborough] in North Carolina. Thence they marched across the Pedee [sic: Pee Dee] River in South Carolina thence to the neighborhood of Camden where the North Carolina troops were joined by Gen. [Horatio] Gates Soon after the battle near Camden was fought [16 Aug 1780] in which he the said Martin with some more North Carolina troops were ordered Charlotte in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, thence to Salisbury in Rowan County, thence to Hillsboro in Orange County N.C. where he remained untill the latter part of November seventeen hundred & eighty when on account of lameness in his right leg he was discharged.

The Claimant Jennet Martin states that she has no documentary evidence to support her claim

She further declares that she was married to the said Samuel Martin on the fourth day of September seventeen hundred & seventy nine in Montgomery County State of Maryland that her husband the said Samuel Martin died on the second day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty six; and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year above written

Jennet herXmark Martin