## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Sion Barnett R531
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## State of Georgia, County of Jasper

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year 1834 personally appeared Sion Barnett a resident of the County of Jasper and State of Georgia, aged Seventy-three years the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June next, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 or '79 with Captain Medary at Halifax in North Carolina to serve in the Cavalry the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Bland, but neither Captain Medary or Colonel Bland ever commanded deponent, for a short time after his enlistment a Captain Edmund or Edward Gamble came on & took command of the Company of Cavalry in which this deponent served, & marched us from Halifax to Kingston [Kinston] & from thence to Purrysburg in South Carolina – from that place the said company escorted General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] on to Georgia & back again to several places & particularly to Stono – after leaving Stono deponent was discharged at the Quarter House about six miles from Charleston, after having served upwards of 12 months under Captain Gamble. This deponent then went home to Warren County N. C. & after a short time, he enlisted in the Army of the United States at Halifax in North Carolina under Col. Nicholas Long who this deponent believes was at that time ('79 or '80) Quarter Master General of the Army in North Carolina – this deponent enlisted in Warren County N. C. for twelve months under Colonel Long – during this period, he served some times as Waggoner & at other times in riding expresses from one military post to dollars; he passed from North to South Carolina several times; & at one time he marched with General Woodford [William Woodford] from Halifax to Charleston, -- during this trip he drove a baggage wagon – after the twelve months had expired he was discharged by Colonel Nicholas Long at Halifax North Carolina. This deponent afterwards enlisted in Warren County where he then lived and served Eighteen months in the Continental line of the Army of the United States – the rule was, that every 20 men were to flourish one, & this deponent served as the man of the 20, -- this deponent first rendezvoused at Warrenton North Carolina where he enlisted in '81 or '82 – he marched from Warrenton to Hillsboro under Major Hogg [perhaps Thomas Hogg], not being yet mustered regularly into Companies, & from Hillsboro to Charlotte, where this deponent was regularly mustered into Captain Benjamin Carter's company of Infantry; the Battalion a commanded by Major Redding Blount [Reading Blount]; & the Regiment by Colonel Archibald Lytle of the North Carolina Continental line; -- this deponent was marched from Charlotte to Ashley Hill in South Carolina where General Gist commanded – he was afterwards marched from Ashley Hill to James Island near Charleston, & afterwards received his discharge at the ten mile spring, near Charleston; having been discharged two or three months after peace was published, by his officers – this deponent knows of no one in Georgia by whom he can prove his services; & his discharges, he has long since lost.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, &

he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid, in open court. S/ James Whitfield, JJC, Chair.

S/ Sion Barnett

Sion Barnett

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental [line] of this State in the revolutionary War, that Sion Barnett a Corporal in Captain Carter's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment enlisted in 1782 for the term of 18 months, nothing more is said of him on said rolls. It also appears from a list of settlements of the revolutionary Army accounts that he was allowed for his services the sum of forty-one pounds, fifteen shillings and one penny (£41.15.1) by a board of Commissioners

Given under my hand this 11th day of February 1834 S/Wm Hill

[p 8: On October 10, 1844, Mrs. Francis Barnett [sic, Frances Barnett] filed in Jasper County for a widow's pension stating she is the widow of Sion Barnett, a US pensioner at the rate of \$86/annum; that her husband died on March 25, 1843 in Jasper County; that she married him on January 18, 1786 in Mecklenburg County, NC. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$86 per annum commencing March 4, 1831 for service as a private for 6 months and as a Corporal for 18 months in the North Carolina Troops.]