Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Queen R8541 Dise (Dicy) fn47GA
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[fn p. 13]

North Carolina Haywood County: Personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the peace for said County Samuel Queen & William Queen & severally made oath that they were enlisted in the State of Georgia as Rangers in the Revolutionary War & that they severally served three years under the said enlistment that day he enlisted under Captain James Buoy [James Bowie?] & afterward were transferred to Captain George Dulas [sic, George Dooly's] Company & served under Colonel Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] that each of the Deponent's were knowing to the service of the other each of the Deponent's swear that they never received any pay for said service or any Bounty.

Sworn to before me this 13 day of August 1829

S/ Jesse C. Cockerham, JP S/ Joseph H. Walker, JP

S/ Samuel Queen, X his mark S/ William Queen, X his mark

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North Carolina State County of Macon October Term 1832

On this 9th Day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judge now sitting Samuel Queen a resident of Macon in the County of Macon and State of North Carolina aged 73 [2nd digit unclear] 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 7th 1832.

I was born in the State of North Carolina in the year 1759. I served under Colonel Elijah Clarke probably in the 1775 and continued in the service 3 years whenever called upon. I served on Colonel John Dooly and Major __ Smith and Captain George Dooly at the Siege of Savannah for six weeks. I resided in Wilkes County in the State of Georgia when I entered this service. I entered as a volunteer. I was engaged at the battle of Savannah. I moved from Wilkes County Georgia into Savannah. I recollect General Lincoln of the regular Army -- I have no writing discharges etc. that could benefit me.

I was in another term of service under Colonel Williamson and Captain Dooly on the Oconee River as a substitute for Timothy Queen.

I also guarded the place called Harlins ferry on Savannah River under Captain Dooly.

I served a great many little terms which from my extreme youth and want of learning I am totally unable to specify the particular circumstances under which I served -- but I am confident that my constant service could not have amounted to less than one year -- Absalom Hooper¹ was in the same service and can state some facts which furnish collateral evidence of my service and is presented to the court for examination and my brother William L. Queen² can testify as to my services in part. Since the revolutionary war I have lived in Rutherford, Burke, Buncombe & Hayward counties. I now reside in Macon County North Carolina. The Humphrey Posey and Benjamin I. Brittain can testify as to my character and belief of my services.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to the day and year aforesaid

S/ Samuel Queen, X his mark

[Humphrey Posey, a clergyman, and Benjamin I Brittain gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Macon County: Superior Court of law October Term 1832

This 10th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court Absalom Hooper who being duly sworn according to law deposes and saith that from conversations he has hailed with Samuel Queen an applicant for a pension he believes him to have been a soldier in the revolution. He is confirmed in this believe the more from the fact that the manner of the death of this deponent's messmate is accurately detailed by said Samuel Queen.

S/ Absalom Hooper, X his mark

The Amendment of the declaration of Samuel Queen

Personally appeared before me the undersigned justice of the peace for the County of Macon & State of North Carolina Samuel Queen 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 he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades for the year 1778 for 3 months at Augosty [sic, Augusta] in the State of Georgia as a volunteer and was stationed under the command of Colonel Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] & Captain George Duly [sic, George Dooly] & entered again for the year 1780 as a volunteer living in wil County [sic, Wilkes County?] for 2 months at the siege of Savana [sic, Savannah] under the command of Captain George Duly [Dooly] Colonel John Duly [Dooly] & General Lincoln entered again for in the year 1780 for no precise length of time as a volunteer under the command of Captain George Duly & Colonel Clarke & remained in the service till the close of the war was engaged in guarding the ferries & keeping down the Tories & marching about after the Indians I was about 1[illegible second digit] years of age I served again until the orders of my officers my services was performed not in a regular service but imbracing all my services I think that I served not less than 3 years active service in Garrison and in marching about after the Tories Indians & British Army, I was with a copt [sic, capt.?] company at the time I was at agusty I was only with Captain Duly but when with Colonel Clarke with a Regiment but while at Savannah was with a the American Army, all of my services was performed as a private, and for which services I claim a pension.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this [illegible] of April 1834

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Absalom Hooper W7813

² FPA S9462

S/ Joseph Welch, JP [attested the 12th of April 1834]

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North Carolina Macon County: Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for said County Samuel Queen 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 he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades in the year 1778 I volunteered for 3 months living in Wilkes County Georgia under the command of Captain Duley [Dooly] and Eliga Clark [Elijah Clarke] Colonel I was stationed on the Ogeachy [Ogeechee] River in Powols [Powell's?] Fort after serving out the 3 months for which I volunteered I remained with Captain Dooly & Colonel Clarke as a volunteer and remained in the Fort until the fall of 1779, then I was marched by the same officer to the Siege of Savannah and put under the command of General Lincoln after getting home from the Siege of Savannah including the first 3 months I am certain that I served not less than 12 months from the latter part of the year of 1778 until after the siege of Savannah as a private in Garrison marching and while at Savannah in entered into the Service of the United States. Again in 1780 shortly after my return from Savannah in consequence of the Indians and Tories hostility towards the friends of Liberty I went into an organized company again as a volunteer to protect myself and to guard the forts and ferries across the River's under the command of Captain George Dooly & Colonel Clarke living in Wilkes County Georgia. I was then stationed on the Savannah River in guarding the ferry belonging to Harlem and remained there 10 months. There we were driven away by Colonel Candler and Col. Danlns [?] and we had no Captain as I recollect of now and retreated through South Carolina into North Carolina or the head of the Catawba River and there remained for some time and after scouting their forces he returned to Ogeechee again and was Garrison in Powals Fort again and left there and went with General Williamson to the Oconee River this tower [tour] Captain Dooly and Colonel Dooly was my commanders no engagement only some scrimmaging after returning back I was kept as a Ranger so I was almost constantly engaged in marching about and in Garrison to the end of the war including all the services I think I served not less than 3 years my tours was no specified terms for when in the service as a Ranger after the Indians and Tories I was called from that service to perform several campaigns off but at the end of the time I was still kept in service always as a volunteer except the tour I was under the command of General Williamson against the Indians on the Oconee River there I was a substitute for Timothy Queen who was drafted the length of this tour I know not for I was in the service as a Ranger when substituting and as soon as the time expired I returned into my old company as a Ranger the way that I became a Ranger was my father enrolled me as a Ranger under Colonel Clarke or Clarke had a certain bounds to get Rangers in & to keep down the Tories and Indians I was but about 18 years of age when I first entered into the service. My actual services for the United States is not less than 3 years as a private and for which Services I claim a pension.

Sworn to and subscribed before [me] this 28 July 1834. S/W. W. Johnson, JP S/Samuel Queen, X his mark

North Carolina Macon County: This day personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for said County Samuel Queen 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 he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades (to wit) in the year 1778 I volunteered for 3 months living in Wilkes County Georgia under the command of Captain Dooly and Colonel Elijah Clarke and marched to the Ogeechee River and was Garrison in Pawals Fort there was one other company there under the command of Colonel Clarke what Captain's name was Alexander Autary [probably, Alexander Autry] no other officers there that I now recollect of I was not discharged I volunteered then again under the command of Captain George Dooly and Colonel Clarke and marched to Hanlands Ferry on Savannah in Georgia and there Garrison for the purpose of guarding the ferry no general engagement but a great deal of firing across the River by the scouting parties there was another company there commanded by Captain Autery this Service was performed as a private and was not less than 6 months and was performed in the latter part of the year 1779. I was not discharged by my officers. I volunteered again in the summer or first of the fall of 1779 as well as I can recollect under the command of Captain George Dooly Colonel John Dooly and Major Smith and marched from Wilkes County Georgia my residence to Augusta and thence to Savannah and was under the command of General Lincoln -- General Williamson Benjamin Fugh [sic, Benjamin Few] was a Colonel there also. I was at the mouth of the River for the seaside and was there stationed guarding the French troops while they were cannonading the town which cannonading continued as I was informed for 6 weeks and 2 days and I was in the main engagement that was fought and that continued as I was informed for [illegible digit, could be "3"] hours & 2 minutes from the Siege of Savannah I was marched home first through Augusta & then to Wilkes County. Captain Dooly & Colonel Dooly and Major Smith all accompanied me home as officers I got no discharge. This tour and this service was performed as a private and I served not less than 3 months this tour then in the year 1780 from the time that I returned from the Siege of Savannah I was a great part of my time in actual service under Captain Dooly and Colonel Clarke which service was called scouting but was what was called a minute man for I was some time at home and sometimes marching about after either the Tories or Indians and was part of the time stationed at Harland's Ferry. I continued in this situation for 10 months as a private and I feel certain that I was in actual service in Garrison and while with an embodied corps marching about at least 5 months. Then in the autumn of 1780 I was driven from Georgia and retreated through South Carolina in the North Carolina on the head of Catawba River into Burke County North Carolina and my officers in this retreat was Colonel Chandler and Colonel William Dawns [?] no Captain as I recollect of and remained on the Catawba I do recollect how long but I think between 6 and 10 months and not less than 6 months but while in North Carolina we was not in any regular troops and I don't claim a pension only for what time I was marching there and back which was not less than one month [indecipherable word or words] with my same officers but the [one or more indecipherable words] but on hearing of the return of Colonel Clarke to Georgia from [indecipherable word] of the Eastern or North states or perhaps it might have been South or North Carolina we returned and fell into Clark's Regiment again and then in 1781 when I returned I went into Clark's Regiment as a volunteer and was then put into Powals Fort on the Ogeechee River under Captain Dooly nothing but some scrimmaging with the Tories and Indians generally across the River & this service was not less than 2 months. I entered into the service of the United States again in the fall of 1781 as a substitute for Timothy Queen to perform a tour against the Creek Indians & Tories and marched from Ogeechee to the Oconee River General Williamson had command Captain Dooly and Colonel Dooly & no fighting as they discovered us and ran from before us we

followed after them a while and then marched back to Ogeechee River and Powals Fort and this service was not less than one month and performed as a private from this time to the end of the war I was generally engaged in marching after the Tories and Indians and from the time that returned from my tour under General Williamson at Oconee to the end of the war I think I served not less than 2 months actual service my services was performed in the character of a Ranger for my [several indecipherable words] at the commencement of hostilities in Georgia [indecipherable word or words] me with Colonel Clarke and Captain George Dooly as a Georgia Ranger so I was always under the there command but I have now given the periods of my actual services as near as it is possible to give them for Colonel Clark had a [several indecipherable words] of which he had the command in keeping the Tories and Indians down the whole of my services was performed as a private and all my actual services as herein specified [several indecipherable words] I served not less than one year and 11 months but was in the war as a genuine Ranger near 4 years or as a minute man but if I am not entitled only for the time I was in the Fort and the field the amount of one year and 11 months I [indecipherable word] I did serve in that character & for which services I claim a pension. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of September 1834

S/J. N. Siles, JP

S/ Samuel Queen, X his mark

[fn p. 15]

State of North Carolina Haywood County: This day Clemons Hooper of said County personally appeared before us John L. Dilliard & Joseph Keener 2 of the justices assigned to keep the peace in & for said County and after having been sworn according to law saith That during the time of the Georgia Rangers he said Hooper served under Colonel Larkin Cleaveland [sic, Larkin Cleveland] & Captain Watts, & further saith that during that time Samuel Queen bore arms & served under Colonel Clark in the State of Georgia as a volunteer Ranger and the said Hooper further swears that the above said Samuel Queen is now living in the County of Haywood & is the identical all same man which deponent same bearing arms under Colonel Clarke as a volunteer Ranger.

Sworn to and subscribed by us this 2nd day of April 1839

S/ Clemens Hooper

S/ J. L. Dilliard, JP S/ J. Keener, JP

[fn p. 6: Own October 26, 1846 in Union County Georgia, Dise Queen, 83, filed a claim for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Samuel Queen who died August 22, 1842.]

[fn p. 7: on October 25, 1853 in Union County Georgia, Lewis Queen filed a claim stating that he is the son and heir of Samuel Queen Anne his wife Dicy Queen; that his father died August 22, 1842 and his mother died September 13 1849; that they were married September 8, 1782 when they were residents of the County of Rutherford in the state of North Carolina where they resided 20 years.] [fn p. 27: on October 27, 1852, Lewis Queen said he was about 46 years of age and 'one of the heirs' of Samuel and Dicy Queen.]