

## [Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

**Pension Application of John Bone** [*Bome or Boone*], Natl Archives Microseries M804, Roll 285, Application #S14980 f15SC

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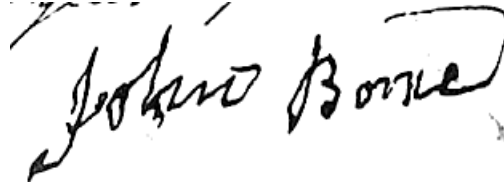
Hickman County, Kentucky, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1832, John Bone, aged 75 years:

*On this \_\_ day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Hon. Resin Davidge Judge of the Hickman Circuit Court – John Bone a resident of the County and state aforesaid who is aged 75 years, who being 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, 1832 –*“That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1777 on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, in the third regiment of the South Carolina Continental line *under the following named officers* – John Bone states that he enlisted in Cheraw District on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May after the Battle at Sullivan’s Island [he had his dates mixed. Per Heitman, in 1776, there was a Battle of Sullivan’s Island on June 28-29, 1776, and in 1780, the second Battle of Sullivan’s Island took place May 8<sup>th</sup>] under Col. William Thompson [William Thomson], Major Samuel Wise, Captain John Caraway Smith, Lieutenant John Crowden, Ensign Aaron Smith. From Esquire Wilson’s where he enlisted, he was marched to the west side of the Santee [*River*] about seven miles from the Eutaw Springs. From thence he went to Charleston, then went out to Ninety Six District under Lieutenant Crowden to take care of the garrison. Went back sometime after this to Charleston. Then he was sent to the Midway Meeting House in Georgia under General Lee, then to Savannah and was there at the fall of the same when it was taken by the British [*the British took Savannah on December 29, 1778*]. Fled from this place and rallied at the east side of the Savannah River opposite the Two Sisters. At this place, General Lincoln [*Benjamin Lincoln*] took the command and moved them to Purrysburg. Here he lay some time until the French fleet came up when he went to the siege of Savannah and there, after a two weeks or thereabouts preparation, fought a battle [*Siege of Savannah September 16-October 20, 1779*] in which his Major Wise was killed and Count Pulaski was wounded, and afterwards died. He well remembers attending the funeral, but some said there was no body in the coffin – From the defeat of Savannah, went to a place called General Bull or Sheldon Hills or some such name. There he believes he wintered. Then the army went down to Charleston. He went to Smith’s Plantation with the horses and when he returned, the British had so besieged Charleston that he could not get in. He remained at Orangeburg and Edisto River until some time in April and was discharged when his term of three years had expired. He was born in Richmond County North Carolina February 14<sup>th</sup> 1757 and lost the record of his age (shortly after his marriage) by the burning down of his house which consumed his discharge and all other papers –.

Sometime after this, between the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] and the Battle at Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], he enlisted for 12 months under Colonel Peter Horry (commonly called Col. Oree), Major Benson, Captain Wethers [William Withers], Lieutenant Edmonson,<sup>1</sup> and Ensign Lesaur near the Cheraw Hills, and got eleven guineas bounty, but never received another cent though promised twenty dollars per month. At the Battle of Eutaw Springs he was stationed about 13 miles distant – Not far from the widow Tiddyman's [Tidyman's] on Santee [River] were surprised by a party of British, believes the commander's name was Thompson [Benjamin Thompson]. In this action, lost Major Benson [probably Major William Benison or Major Thomas Benison, both of whom died in said engagement].<sup>2</sup> Afterwards rallied at Georgetown about 20 miles off and there lay until discharged.

Moved from Richmond County North Carolina to Montgomery County Tennessee where he lived 2 years. Then in Hopkins County Kentucky where he resided 12 or 13 years – Then returned to Tennessee where he lived 9 or 10 years & then to this County where he has resided 3 years – James Baggett<sup>3</sup> of Montgomery County, Tennessee, if alive, would prove his service, for he knew him at Stono where they had a battle. He has no documentary evidence as he has stated nor does he know of any other person who can establish his service nor does he know that the man James Baggett is alive. He lives near Abner Meccum & Joshua Cole who can testify to his credibility and his character for truth and veracity – He asked his country for the promised dues of land & money which has been so long withheld – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of the United States – Sworn & subscribed to the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Bone [looks like Bome or Boone]



[Joshua Cole, a clergyman, and Abner Macome gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per year commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the South Carolina service.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>4</sup> relating to John Bone  
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 598B  
Transcribed by Will Graves

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[p 2]

Sir,

Be pleased to deliver to Jacob Fitzpatrick or his order the Amount of my Account due me from the Treasury for duty as a private done in Colonel Horry's Regiment of Cavalry as I have sold

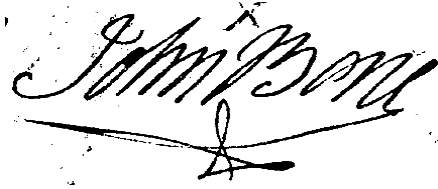
<sup>1</sup> A Lt. David Edmanson served in the 3<sup>rd</sup> SC Regiment. His dates of service are unknown.

<sup>2</sup> Wambaw Bridge February 24, 1782 [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_wambaw\\_bridge.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_wambaw_bridge.html)

<sup>3</sup> [James Baggett S39159](#)

<sup>4</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

the same to him for value Received this 16<sup>th</sup> April 1792  
S/ John Bone

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Bone". The signature is written in black ink on a white background. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Bone".

[p 4: Form of Indent No. 49 Book A dated May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1792 delivered to Mr. John Bone for £38.11.6 ½ for “Eight Months and eight days Duty as a Private from the 28<sup>th</sup> August 1781 to the 6<sup>th</sup> May 1782 in Lieutenant Colonel Peter Horry’s Regiment of Cavalry.”]