Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Garner S37950 VA
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Superior Court; June adjourned Term

Georgia } 1818

Clark [sic: Clarke] County }

Personally came before me Charles Garner of said County, aged sixty two years & being duly sworn on oath saith, that on the fourteenth day of September seventeen hundred seventy four or seventy five (but in which year he doth not now certainly recollect) he enlisted into Captain William Blackwells company in the Eleventh Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. (afterwards General) Daniel Morgan, that of this Company the present Chief Justice John Marshall [pension application S5731] was first Lieutenant, who is acquainted with this deponent, that he enlisted in Farquiere [sic: Fauquier] County, Virginia. That he continued in service until the eleventh day of June following in the Regular discharge of his duty, at which time he was disabled from the performance of his duty by a swelling in his left knee preventing him from fatigue & hard marching, which grew worse & finally made him lame & distroyed the use of his left knee & leg for life, having lost a part of the bone of his leg. That on the day last aforesaid he received from his commanding officer Genl William Woodford, a furlough for two months or until he recovered his health, for the purpose of his going to the warm springs in Va This furlough together with a certificate from Judge John Marshall & a certificate from his captain Blackwell were lodged by this deponent in the war Office at Philadelphia, by the hands of Alexander White a member of Congress from Winchester Virginia, & were lost by the burning of the War Office as this deponent is informed. That this deponent remained absent on furlough after the eleventh of June of aforesaid in consequence of not recovering from his disability until the ninth day of December following. That his furlough had been continued or enlarged in the mean time by the Deponents procuring & sending to his commanding officer certificates from the Col of the County of his continued disability That on the day last aforesaid his name was taken off the company roll. That this deponent did not receive a discharge in consequence of Genl Woodford having told this deponent that if he ever intended to join the army in case he recovered he ought not to receive his discharge, but that he should remain on furlough & his duty[?] would go on for the Term of his enlistment (three years) That this deponent never did recover & never received a regular discharge. That after the close of the War he received a certificate from Genl Daniel Morgan certifying his services under his command & his disability, & also a certificate from his second liutenant James Wright of a similar nature, which certificates he placed in the hands of Wm H. Crawford now secretary of Treasury in order to procure a pension who informed this deponent he had placed them in the War Office with other papers since which this deponent has not heard from them. This deponent saith that he is now old & lame & from his reduced circumstances stands in need of the assistance of his County. Charles yours

Georgia	}	
Clark County	}	Personally came before me Joseph Garner [pension application W7496] who
		being duly sworn, deposeth & saith that he well knows that Charles Garner
		enlisted in the company of William Blackwill in the eleventh Virginia

Regiment Commanded by Colo (afterwards Gen'l) Daniel Morgan & served the time mentioned in the said Charles' Affidavit above stated, & that the facts stated in said affidavit as to his lameness are true Sworn to in open court this 26th June 1818

Joseph hisXmark Garner

STATE OF GEORGIA,	}
Clarke COUNTY.	}

ON this fifth day of November 1821 Personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of Record for the said County,) Charles Garner aged sixty five years-resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he has served in the Revolutionary War-That he is the same person to whom the following Certificate was originally granted, of which the following is a "WAR DEPARTMENT, true copy-

REVOLUTIONARY CLAIMS,

I CERTIFY, that in conformity with the Law of the United States of the 18th of March 1818, Charles Garner late a private in the Army of the Revolution, is inscribed on the Pension List, Roll of the Georgia Agency, at the rate of eight Dollars per month, to commence on the twenty sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighteen

GIVEN at the War-Office of the United States, this eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred and nineteen (SIGNED,)

J. C. Calhoun Secretary at War."

And I, the said Charles Garner doth further solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Sworn to and Declared, on the fifth day of November 1821./ Before me, in open Court

Charles Ganner

A schedule of property belonging to Charles Garner, who resides in the county of Clark, Georgia, One negroe woman forty years of age.

One do boy eighteen do

One do girl thirteen do

One small sorrel mare

One old bay mare

One cow & heifer

Three feather beds, with small portion of other household furniture

The afforsaid Charles Garner, was a black smith by professions but have not pursued it for many years, owing to inability produced from services rendered in the revolutionary war.

Wife Hannah Garner sixty years of age.

Daughter Sally Garner forty do do unable to support

Daughter Eliza Garner Eighteen do

Myself Charles Garner sixty five do

I have been and am now Coroner in and for the County of Clarke Georgia – which Office in the course of Eleven years & ten months has produced about Seventy Dollars & no more.

Out of the above I am compelled to pay about four hundred Dollars which I owe justly to several persons Charles ganners

5th November 1821

Georgia } On this twenty seventh day of January 1824 personally appeared in open Court Clarke County SS } (being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid, because it is a Court which proceeds according to the Course of common Law, with unlimited Jurisdiction in point of amount keeping a regular Record of its proceedings) Charles Garner, resident in said County, aged about sixty seven years who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 That he the said Charles Garner enlisted for the term of Three years on the 14th day of September 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain William Blackwell in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan in the line of the State of virginia, in the Infantry continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until October 1778 when he was discharged from the said service in October 1778 in the State of New Jersey, that his name has been placed on the pension list and dropt therefrom on account of his property

And in pursuance of the act of 1st of May 1820 [oath similar to the above follows]

Schedule

1 Negro Woman about 52 or 53 years of age

1 mare & colt

1 sow & Eight shoats

Charles Garner

That since the exhibition of my first schedule the following changes have been made in my property (viz) One negro girl which was entered on my first schedule through mistake she being then and still is and ever has been from the age of 18 months the property of my Daughter Salley. One bay mare which has died – One Cow and heifer killed for beef for the use of my family and One Negro man Sold

Name of person to whom sold	Time of Sale	amt of money rec'd in return
John Johnson	21st Dec'r. 1822	Four hundred & seventy five dollars

And the Declarant further swearing saith, that he is by occupation a Blacksmith, but has been entirely unable to pursue it for many years on account of an injury in the left knee produced by hard marching in the revolutionary war that he is so disabled thereby as to be compelled to use a Crutch that he has in family a wife whose name is Hannah about sixty two years of age, who is unable to contribute to his support from her advanced age, and that he has living with him two children, daughter by the name of Salley about 40 years old, who is also unable to contribute to his support from a bad state of health from infancy & Eliza a Daughter about 21 years of age who is able to contribute some little to his comfort & support. Sworn to & declared, on the 27th day of January 1824 before us in open Court

Charles Garner

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[Property was valued by the court at \$225. On 1 June 1824 Charles Garner stated that the slave who was sold was named James.]

Georgia } Personally appeared before me; Charles Garner after being duly sworn deposeth Clarke County } & saith that in the year of Eighteen hundred & eight or nine, he did voluntaryly give unto his daugter Sally Garner, one negro girl called by the name of Cloe

[Chloe], which negroe is the just claim of said Sally. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 14th day of May 1824 [Certified by Samuel Garner.]

Georgia } Superior Court
Clarke County } February Term 1829

County of Clark SS.

On this ninth day of February 1829 Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County &c Charles Garner, resident in said County, aged Seventy one years who being first duly sworn, according to Law doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the

provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & of the 1st of May 1820. that he the said Charles Garner enlisted for the term of & during the war in the month of Septemb'r. in the year 1776 in the State of New Jersey in the Company commanded by Captain William Blackwell in the Regment Commanded by Colonel Morgan in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until the month of October 1778, when he was discharged from the Service for inability in the State of New Jersey that his name has been placed on the pension list & dropped therefrom on account of his property.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 [oath similar to the above follows]

A Schedule of Property belonging to Charles Garner before his name was placed on the pension list – towit [same as above]

I am Coroner of the County but am scarcely able to perform the duties of that office, owing to lameness. I have three of my family with me, towit my wife Hannah Garner aged about sixty seven who is a Cripple so as to be incapable of performing any service, my daughter Sally Garner about forty years of age who is an idiot & has been sickly ever since her birth so that she can do little of nothing & another Daughter Eliza Garner about twenty five who is the only one of the family that can do any thing



That since the exhibition of my first Schedule the following changes have been made in my property

I sold the negro boy to John Johnson in the year 1822 for \$400.00 " " girl to Joel Morton " " 1827 for 375.00

the sorrell mare was sold

at Constables sale & purchased by James Hendon 1828 for 6.87½

The Bay mare is since dead

I killed the Cow & heifer for the use of my family

The negro woman mentioned in the first Schedule belongs to my daughter & who is so old as to be almost of no value

Washington March 25, 1850

Sir [James L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions]. Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkes of Clark Co. Georgia representing herself as the daughter of one Charles Garner a revolutionary soldier who was on the Pension Roll at the time of his death which occurred in Feb. '37 and who drew his pension semi-annually, desires to be informed whether she, as the only surviving child of the deceased, the wife having died anterior to her husband, can draw such arrearages of pension as may be due. Had the dec'd lived a few days longer [until 4 March] he would have drawn as usual 6 months pay

I am very respect'ly y'r ob't ser't/ Howell Cobb

NOTE: A document in the file states that in early 1823 Charles Garner sold "a negro boy Jarvis" to John Jackson, and on 2 May 1824 one William Garner stated that in 1823 Charles Garner bought a colt from him for \$25, and he believed the money came from "the sale of a negro boy." On 23 May 1831 James Hendon, acting Deputy Sheriff of Clarke County, stated that on the first Tuesday of June 1829 he sold two slaves belonging to Charles Garner: "Till, a woman, and Ephraim a boy about five or six years old," and that Till was not the same slave who had been sold to Joel Morton, and Ephraim was not the one sold to John Johnson.