Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John O'Quin W5449 Rhoda (Rhody) fn37NC Transcribed by Will Graves 10/23/10

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[fn p. 9]

State of Georgia Muscogee County: On this seventh day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court Before the Inferior Court now sitting for County purposes John O'Quinn a resident of the State of Georgia and Muscogee County aged 78 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 seventh 1832 –

Interrogatory 1st

Where and in what year were you born?

A. I was born June 13th 1754 in Halifax County North Carolina

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Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A. I have a copy of my age taken from my father's family Bible

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Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A. When I was called into service, I lived in Sampson County – in the State of North Carolina. Since the revolution I lived in the State of North Carolina 10 or 12 years. I then moved to the State of South Carolina where I lived about 20 years. I then moved to the State of Georgia where I have lived ever since. I'm now live in Muscogee County in the State of Georgia.

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How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

A. I served three towers [tours] of three months each under a draft and one tower as a volunteer.

State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

A. My three first towers in the militia under a draft was in Colonel James Moore's Regiment under General Ash [sic, John Ash] in the State of North Carolina. I then volunteered and served in Colonel Johnson's Regiment we joined the militia at Sharlot [sic, Charlotte] town North

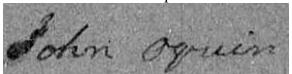
Carolina under General Butler. I don't recollect what date we then marched through South Carolina and crossed the Savannah River near Augusta and joined General Linkhorn [sic, Benjamin Lincoln] in Georgia we marched down the Savannah River in pursuit of the British crossed the River and pursued them to Stono where we had an engagement and lost a good many men. I was discharged a few days after the Battle these statements is to the best of my recollection.

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Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

A. I received several discharges from the service. I received my discharge in the first three tours from Captain Hardy homes [sic, Hardy Holmes] and I received my discharge from the Service when a volunteer from Captain James Lenear my discharge are all lost.

S/ John Oquin



[John S. Wittingham, a clergyman, and Charles King gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 4: on April the 11th, 1850 in Stewart County Georgia, Rhody O'Quin, 80, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John O'Quin; that she married him in Kershaw District South Carolina on or about the seventh day of October 1790; that her husband died January six, 1836 at the advanced age of 84 years; that her husband applied for a pension in his lifetime; and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 5: copy of the family record]

A Copy of the family Record of the births of the Children of John & Rhody O'Quin

Bryant their son born 8th July 1791

Daniel their son born 17th of February 1793

John Junior their son born 21 March 1795

Emily their daughter born 10 June 1797

Sarah their daughter born 28 July 1799

Allen their son born 7th of October 1807

James Jefferson their son born 6 July 1807

Tabitha their daughter born the 14th of August 1809

Mary their daughter born 13th of April 1812

[fn p. 7: On January 24, 1850 in Stewart County Georgia, Daniel Horton, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with John O'Quin, a soldier of the revolutionary war, that O'Quin died January six, 1836 at the age of 84 years; that the veteran and Rhody Horton were married in Kershaw District South Carolina October 7, 1790; that eight of their children are yet living. The relationship, if any, of Daniel Horton to the widow is not stated.]