

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. GREENVILLE DISTRICT. On this 19th day of March A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Two personally appeared before me Luther McBee Ordinary for the district and within the State aforesaid. Reuben Harrison a resident of said district aged Ninety Two years, who being 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.

He declared that he volunteered in the Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War soon after the Declaration of Independence, the day, month and year that he volunteered and entered the service he dose (sic) not remember. That he volunteered in Surry County, North Carolina and was in actual service in that state in said war in a company commanded by Captain William Hardwin (or Hardin) and Col. Richardson Owens for the period of nine months. The Continental Regiments or Companies which composed the Regiment to which he was attached he does note (sic) now recollect. But that he remembers the officers above stated and privates Samuel Stewart, Charles Stewart, Kit Kirby and Henry Kirby who belonged to the same company with himself. That he has no documentary evidence of his services and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

In the presence of Reuben Harrison (X)

(his mark) Thos. H. Paine

Sworn to and subscribed before me Luther M. McBee.

Ordinary of Greenville District

We the undersigned residing in Greenville District hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Reuben Harrison who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration. That we believe him to be Ninety Two years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a Soldier of the Revolution and that we concur.

Interrogation put by the court to Reuben Harrison, applicant for pension

Int 1st Where and in what year were you born

Answer to 1st Int:

I was born in Granville County, North Carolina on the 15th day of October 1760

Int 2nd Have you any record of your age, if so where is it

Answer to 2nd Int:

I have no record of my age at this time. I had a bible in which my age was recorded, which book my son Washington Harrison took with him when he move to the state of Georgia about 18 years ago.

Int 3rd Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary War, and where do you now live.

Answer to 3rd Int:

I was living when I volunteered in the service in Surry County, State of North Carolina after I left the service I removed with my Father to Tennessee and from thence to Kentucky and lived in forts and fought the Indians about four years. From thence I removed with my Father to the State of Georgia where I removed to what is now Greenville District, South Carolina and have resided here for upwards of Sixty years.

Int 4th How were you called into service, were you drafted; did you volunteer; or were you a substitute; and if a substitute for whom:

Answer to 4th Int:

I volunteered in the Service.

Int 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served. "Such Continental and Malitia Regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your services"

Answer to Int 5th:

I knew Col. Richardson Owens, Captain William Hardwin (or Hardin), Lieutenant Thomas Carlin, Second Lieutenant Kit Kirby. The name or number of the Regiments to which I was attached I do not now recollect. We marched to different places - the name posts or stations "I cannot now recollect. In Surry and other counties in that section of North Carolina and I do not know that any name was given particularly to them. I was sent by Col. Richardson Owens with a letter to Col. Benjamin Cleveland from Flower-Gap Surry County, North Carolina to let Cleveland know when he Owens would advance upon the Tories and on my way was captured by the Tories, who mal-treated me and threatened to hang me." A Tory by the name of George Roberts took me by both arms and shook me severely to make me disclose my

businesss after which he make preparations to hang me. But his Step-Son, a young man, interceded with him to let me go, on account of my youth" The letter I had between the paper and the body of the crown of my hat which had been raised, the letter sliped in and then fastened down. After I was discharged by the Tories I proceded to Cleveland, delivered him the letter, and returned in safety to the Army at Flower-Gap.

Int 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it.

Answer to 6th Int:

I did receive a paper from Col. Richardson Owens which I suppose was a discharge the purport of which I do not know as I cannot write nor read writeing. But it was lost or mislaid many years ago.

Int 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can Testify as to your character for tenacity, and their belief of your services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

Answer to Int 7th:

"Mayor B.F. Perry atty at Law, Col. David Hoke clerk of the court of common pleas, Col. G.F. Towns, Mr. Peter Cauble, Samuel Mauldin, Esquire - Vardry McBee, Esquire, all of Greenville Village, So. Car."