

*Project is to transcribe GSA records on **James Saxon S38348 Rev War.**
these are files obtain by Mary Shaw Makima in 1968, and copied by Bobby Bowie about 1989.
I'm working from the Bobby Bowie Copies.plus <http://southerncampaign.org/pen/index.htm>*

Item One:

General Services Administration, National Archives and Records Service
Order for photocopies concerning veteran
Receipt No 96528 Date 11-22-68
File Designation: **James Saxon S38348 Rev War.**

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Alabama
~~South Carolina~~

James Saxon of in the state of South Carl
who was a private in the regiment commanded by
Colonel Thompson of the South Carolina
line, for the term of 18 months.

Inscribed on the Roll of South Carolina
at the rate of 8 - Dollars per month, to commence on
the 13th of April 1819

Certificate of Pension issued the 16th of February
and sent to the Hon Mr Tucker
of South Carolina Hose of Reprs 1820

Arrears to 4th of Sep 1819 \$37.80
Semi-anl.all'co ending 4 Mar 1820 " 48."

4 mo 22.30 dy \$ 85.80

**{ Revolutionary Claim,
Act 18th March, 1818 }**

Item Two:

**House of Reps
Feby 20th 1837**

J L Edwards Esqre
Sir -

Mr. **James Saxon** who within the last twelve months, died in Alabama, was a pensioner when he resided in Laurens District, South Carolina, from which place he removed about two years since. After his removal, his right to draw his pension was transferred from the Pension Agency in South Carolina, to the Pension Agency in Mobile, Alabama.

He however died before he drew any portion of his pension in Alabama. Since his death, his widow has made repeated applications to draw his arrears of pension due at the time of his death, but has as often failed, through some alleged defects in the manner of making out her application.

Her last application, I made out myself with great care, & as I thought guarded against every possible objection. But this also was rejected. Now you must perceive that this extreme rigour on the part of the Pension Agency, operates most unpleasantly on an old lady - who resides a considerable distance from the Court House, where the papers have to be made out & whose personal attendance is required at every renewal of the application.

In fact she has applied so often & at such extreme inconvenience, that she has despaired of success. For this reason I send you the within statement of **Col F.H. Elmore**, who is a near relative of Mrs. Saxon, who knows her and knew her deceased husband well and who knew them not only in South Carolina, but in their late residence in Autauga County Alabama, ad whose statement completely identifies this **Nancy Saxon** the applicant, as the widow of **James Saxon** who was on the Pension roll in South Carolina. Under these cricumstances, I had hoped that you would order the Pension Agency at Mobile, to pay the arrears of James Saxon's pension to **Nancy Saxon**, the fact having, by the letter of the **Hon. F.H. Elmore**, been completely established to your satisfaction, that **Nancy Saxon** is his widow and therefore entitled to the same.

I know the fact, that **James Saxon** died in Autauga County, Alabama, sometime in the early part of the year 1836^ I think in February - of course the order would be that **Nancy Saxon**, should draw his pension from the time at which he last drew his pension till his dath. If you feel there will be no impropriety in this order, it will greatly oblige a very aged & worthy lady and confer additional obligations on

your obdt servt
Dixon H Lewis

Mary Shaw Makima notes to Bobby Bowie attached to 1968 transcribation of above :

(Col. F. H. Elmore referred to above as “a near relative of Mrs. Saxon” was the son of General John Archer Elmore for whom Elmore County, Alabama, was named. and his first wife, Mary Ann Sarah Saxon. Gen. John Arch Elmore married Mary Ann Sarah Saxon in 1788, Nancy Ann Saxon was an Elmore, sister of the General. Mary Ann Sarah was sister of Pvt James Saxon. Col Franklin Elmore was selected to fill the unexpired term of John C. Calhoun as United States Senator, occasioned by Mr. Calhoun’s death. It was this Franklin H Elmore who was president of the State Bank of South Carolina for over twenty years and who was tendered by president Polk the appointment as Ambassador to the Court of St James, which honour he declined because it acceptance would involve separation form members of his family.

After Mary Ann Sarah Saxon Elmore, wife of Gen. John Archer DImore, died, the Generl married in 1805 Nancy Martin, and had by her a daughter named Elizabeth Susan Elmore who married Dixon H. Lewis, the writer of the above letter on behalf of James Saxon’s widow, Nancy “Ann” Saxon. Mr. Lewis became the first United States Senator from Alabama..These two paragraphs have been added by Mary Shaw Makima.)

The following was copied by Mary Shaw Makima from Revolutionary Soldiers in Alabama”, State of Alabama, Dept of Archives & History.

James Saxon, a resident of Autauga; private, particular service not shown; enrolled on Feb 16, 1820, under act of Congress of March 18, 1818, payment to date fro Sept.4, 1834’ annual allowance \$96.; died Jan 17, 1836.--

Pension Book, State Branch Bank Mobile.

Allow handwritten in margin:

“These pension paper also contained a statement by Dr. B.W. Simmons of Wetumpka, Ala saying that.....lost

separate page:

I ordered thes pension paper of our Private James Saxon from General Services Agency in Washington. There should have been included with these papers a statement by Dr. B.W. Saxon (our Benjamin Wadsworth Saxon) stating that his father, James Saxon was dead. I plan to write GSA calling attention to this omission, as this statement from B.W. Saxon, calling James “Father” is most important i proving relationship.

Please return these pension paper to me. I started to type a copy for you, but I decided that you might like to see James Saxon’s signature.

You probably know that “Nancy” and “Ann” werre used interchangeably, like Polly and Mary, and like Sally and Sarah. So, you will understand that whether her name is written as Nanc;y or Ann, she is still the one ad only Ann Elmore Saxon, our ancestress.

Mary Shaw Makima Huntsville, Ala. 1971

Item Three

<http://southerncampaign.org/pen/index.htm>
Southern Campaign Revolutionary War Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Saxon S38348

Transcribed by Will Graves proof correction, Add paragraphs, line space and extended A Bowie 11 Feb 2010

The State of South Carolina, Laurens District

Before me **Charles Jones Colcock**, one of the associate Judges of the court of common pleas and quarter sessions of the said State, at Laurens Court House, personally appeared **James Saxon** aged 65 years who declares on oath for the purpose of obtaining the provision made by an act of Congress passed on the ___ [blank in original] day of ___ [blank in original] 1818 for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War:

That he the said **James Saxon** enlisted as a private Soldier at Camden in the State on the **25th day of July 1775**, in the company commanded by **Captain Eli Kershaw** in the **Third Regiment of South Carolina** provincial troops of the regular line commanded by **Colonel William Thompson** [*sic, William Thomson*], that he continued to serve in the said Corps for six months the term of his enlistment and was discharged at Camden.

That he reenlisted in the spring of the year 1776 in the company commanded by **Captain Francis Boykin** of the same Regiment at Camden in this State that he continued to do duty as a private soldier in that Corps and in the service of the United States until the month of **August 1777** having served during his last enlistment near or about 18 months.

That in the month of August 1777 he was regularly & honorably discharged at the **Eutaw Springs** in South Carolina.

That he was in no principle or important engagement except the attack on **Fort Moultrie** by **Sir Peter Parker**; but that he was in several skirmishes: That he has now no other evidence of his said Services than what is herewith furnished, and that he is in indigent circumstances and Stands in need of the assistance of his country for Support.

Sworn to before me 13 April 1819

S/ **James Saxon**

S/ **C. J. Colcock**

South Carolina, Laurens District

Major James Dillard a makes oath that he was personally acquainted with James Saxon who has made the foregoing Declaration that he knows that the said **James Saxon** did serve as a private soldier in the Regiment which is above mentioned for than nine months and the deponent believes with good reason that he served the term of 18 months as he has above declared.

Deponent knows that he was at **Fort Moultrie** at the attack on Sullivan's Island & then in the service of the United States.

Sworn to 13 April 1819 he before me.

S/ **James Dillard**

S/ **John Garlington**, Clk of Laurens Dist. & QS

South Carolina, Laurens District

Major William Dunlop makes oath that he is personally acquainted with **James Saxon** who has made the foregoing Declaration and knows him to be old, poor and helpless and in indigent circumstances, and verily believes he stands in need of the provision made by Congress for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Sworn to before me the 13th April 1819.

S/ **Wm Dunlop**

S/ **John Garlington**, Clk of Laurens Dist. & Q S

Item Four

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Schedule

District of Lawrence-- On this 18th day of April 1822 personally appeared in open court in the Circuit Court being a Court of Record for said District **James Saxon** age 68 years resident in the said District, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, to wit, in the **Third Regiment** commanded by **Col. William Thompson** and company commanded by **Captain Francis Boykin** of the South Carolina line.

That on the 13th day of April 1819 in the Circuit Court holden for the District of Laurens, he made his Declaration in conformity with the law of the United States of the 18th day of March 1818 & that he afterwards received from the secretary of war a certificate that he was inscribed on the pension list Roll of the South Carolina agency at the rate of eight dollars per month to commence on the 13th day of April 1819, which certificate is stated to be registered in Book B Volume 9 page 163 on which certificate he has received the sum of \$85

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18 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 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 property or any income other than what is contained in my schedule, to wit: Books estimated as worth Fifty Dollars, a small Bay mare estimated as worth Twenty Dollars, and twelve head of sheep as worth Eighteen dollars amount in the whole to be \$88,

That for a number of years past I have been a [*illegible word*] or farmer but from infirmity I am now entirely unable to labor being scarcely able to walk out of the House that I have a **wife named Anna** aged 65 years, and a **daughter Sally** aged 22 residing with me, who can contribute but little towards my support.

Sworn to and declared in open court the 18th of April 1822.

S/ **James Saxon**

S/ **John Garlington**, Clk

Schedule of property sworn to and returned by **James Saxon** the within named deponent Viz.,
Books estimated as worth 50, a small Bay mare \$20, 12 head of sheep \$18 -- \$88.

S/ **James Saxon**

From the *information that I have?* received in this case, I am of opinion that the value assessed to the property contained with the above schedule is correct.. April 1822

S/ **C. J. Colcock**

State of South Carolina

I **John Garlington** clerk of the court of Laurens District in the state aforesaid, do hereby certify , that the foregoing oath, and the schedule thereto witnessed, are truly copied from the record of the said court; and I do further certify that it is the opinion of the said court , that the total amount in value of the property *exhibited?* in the aforesaid schedule is Eighty Eight Dollars.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said court on the twenty fourth day of June 1822

John Garlington, Clk of Laurens Dis SC??

[On April 30th 1835, Saxon filed a claim under the act of June 7, 1832, but the digital images of that application on both Footnote.com and HeritageQuest.com are so faint as to be almost entirely illegible. No attempt has been made to transcribe them here.]

[Letter from the National Archives states that he died about February 1836 in Autauga County, Alabama.]