

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Daniel Bailey or Baley R369

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South Carolina, Greenville District

On this 29th day of January 1848 personally appeared in open court before the court of ordinary now sitting Daniel Baley [sic, Bailey\]) a resident of Greenville District South Carolina aged 88 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 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as here in stated. He volunteered in Wilks (sic, Wilkes) County North Carolina for six months under Capt. Lewis under Col. Benjamin Cleavland (sic, Cleveland) on the 1st of July 1779 and was mustered into service at Salisbury North Carolina and marched from thence to Charlotte and from thence to Anson [County] in North Carolina; from thence to Monks [sic, Moncks] Corner in South Carolina under Col. Hearn; from thence to Georgetown in South Carolina and there joined the fatigue company under Capt. Person and marched to Charlston [sic, Charleston or Charles Town]; from thence to Camden and thence to Orangeburg at which place he got wounded in the hand in taking a party of Tories; then returned to Camden and was there commissioned Capt. of the fatigue guard by Col. Hearn and marched to the Hanging Rock in the summer of 1780—then marched to Cowpens in which Battle he was wounded by a ball in the right leg and lay sometime at a place called Mount rock[.] He also was in the battle of King's Mountain and marched from that place to Langum (?) town in North Carolina and was there taken prisoner by a detachment of corn wallace's [sic, Cornwallis'] army and was carried by them to the red House in Virginia at which place the English troops were fired on by Col. Becknell's men and he escaped from them and returned to Mount rock and thence down on Broad River to General Morgan's camp at which place orders was [sic, were] given to Col. Brandon by General Morgan to discharge his men and he was discharged by Col. Brandon and that his discharge and commission and all his papers was [sic, were]destroyed by fire in Wilkes County where he then resided and that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of one person whos [sic, whose] testimony he has procured who can testify to his service and he further declares that he served two years as Capt. of fatigue guard and that he served one year as a private.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Jno. Watson, Judge
of the court of ordinary

S/ Daniel Baley [sic\]), X his mark

[fn p. 3: on February 1, 1848, James Goodlett gave testimony in Greenville District South Carolina that he believes the veteran is 88 years old; that he is reputed in the neighborhood to have been a soldier of the revolution; that he concurs in that opinion; "and further certifies that during the life of his father, James Goodlett's father, has heard him frequently say, that the aforesaid Daniel Bailey was present with him and fought at the Battle of the Cowpens."]

[fn p. 19]

State of South Carolina Greenville District: Personally appeared before me a notary the Public & Magistrate Ex officio within and for the district and State aforesaid Joseph Hart¹ a Revolutionary Pensioner, aged eighty-eight years, who being duly sworn according to law states that he knew Daniel Bailey well while he was a soldier in the old Revolution war. He further states that he recollects well to have met with Daniel Bailey at a place called the Hanging Rock and several other places, while the said Bailey was a soldier in the old Revolution war, we frequently met one another while we were in the service of the war and talked together although, we were not in the same Regiment, we talked about our ages, amongst many other things frequently, when we met while soldiers of the old Revolution and service too and Bailey is now 8 or 10 years older than myself, and the first time after the war was over, that Bailey and myself met again was at Union Court House South Carolina and we was as glad to see one another as brothers and talked about the hardships and fatigues, and many difficulties we encountered during the time of the war &c. Daniel Bailey is now living in Greenville District, and is now applying for a Pension as I understand.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 2nd day 1852.

S/ Joseph Hart, X his mark

[fn p. 27]

State of South Carolina Greenville District: Personally appeared before me Isaiah Cox an acting Magistrate for said District John Rice who is ninety-five years old who says he was acquainted with Daniel Bailey before the Revolutionary War and he has always understood that Bailey served in the Revolution War as a soldier and that he believes he did serve in the revolutionary War and says that the said Bailey is about the same age of himself and that he is confident that this is the same Daniel Bailey.

Sworn to and subscribed before may this 1st February 1853.

S/ John Rice, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Polk County

¹ FPA S18860

Personally came before me [indecipherable name or words] one of the acting Justices of the Peace of said County William Dalton² & makes oath that he was personally acquainted with Daniel Bailey of Greenville District South Carolina & that he was frequently with him in the service of the Revolutionary war mainly at the Battle of the Cowpens in South Carolina at which Battle the said Bailey was wounded in the leg and also after the Battle of Kings Mountain he was with the guard that took the Prisoners from that place into North Carolina that said Daniel Bailey was Captain of the Fatigue Company of the said Guard & that he saw him frequently acting in that capacity that he was frequently with the said Bailey for the space of 2 years in the service of the Revolution as Captain of said Guard Company. [Indecipherable marking] Sworn & Subscribed before me this 26th day of January 1848

S/ E. G. Foster, JP

S/ William Dalton, X his mark

[fn p. 70-71, letter in which reference is made to a son of the veteran by the name of David Bailey who, on Oct. 1852, is said to then be 67 years old.]

[fn p. 110]

State of South Carolina Greenville district

On this 15th day of July 1853 personally appeared Daniel Bailey of the district in State aforesaid and made oath that: he was a soldier of the Revolution, that many years ago he employed a man by the name of Alex Hogg or Hougue to obtain his pension from the United States for his services in said, that his attorney kept his papers or made no report to him as to the result, that in consequence he has been deprived of making the proof, required by the pensions department, that his papers have been on file many years until his comrades in arms have all died and that he knows of no one living who served with him, that from extreme old age and loss of memory (being now between ninety and one hundred years of age) he has lost sight of many of the events of that period, and which are only brought to mind by the marks of wounds received in the field of battles and disability of body by hardships and exposure in the service of that day, that his life is near a close, and that the liberty achieved (in which he acted his part) is his reward.

S/ Daniel Bailey, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed the day above written.

Attest:

S/ Jesse Stewart

S/ Alsey A. Neves

² I could not find a federal pensioner by this name who claimed to render services as described by this deponent.