

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Hayman R4798

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State of Georgia Screven County: On this the 6th day of July 1835 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Screven County now sitting Henry Hayman a resident of the United States in the County of Screven and State of Georgia aged seventy-seven 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 herein stated.

There was Cernal John Twiggs [Colonel John Twiggs] and Captain fann [Fann ?] I served myself as 1st Lieutenant in Captain fann's Company under the authority of a commission signed by Cernal John Twiggs the period of this service was from January 1779 to the one day of March in 1779 and after Ashes defeat [Battle of briar Creek March 3, 1779] we had to leave the state and go to South Carolina my station in the above service was at Burke County Jail in the State of Georgia.

On the 15th day of March in 1779 I joined myself to a volunteer company of cavalry commanded by Captain Shadrach Inman in Twiggs' Regiment I served myself as a private in said company and was stationed at a place called Dimmerrys fary [Demery's ferry was located about 40 miles below Augusta, Georgia] on Savannah River from the 15 day of March 1779 till the 1st of January 1781 the general circumstances of my service was that we was sent in parties sometimes in Georgia and sometimes in South Carolina and we was often engaged with the enemy but not in any general engagement with them as we was in small companies after the British had possession of Charleston in South Carolina Cernal John Twiggs left his station and marched to North Carolina to a place called the Cowpens at that place I was wounded in the leg in a battle [January 17, 1781] that Morgan [Daniel Morgan] had with Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] and before my leg got well peace was made and I did not get my discharge from my [indecipherable word] services.

I was a resident in the United States in the state of Georgia in the County of Burke when I entered the service and was a volunteer and was in a Battle at Burke Jail and one at the fork of Savannah River and Brier Creek [March 3, 1779], one at Demrys ferry, one at the Cross Roads and one at Edisto I marched through a great part of South Carolina and Georgia and served with Continental troops commanded by General Elbert [Samuel Elbert] Major Habersham [John Habersham], Ignatius Few the line 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/ Henry Hayman, X his mark the line

[William A Knight, a clergyman, and Benjamin Griffin gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

1. Where and in what year were you born

I was born in the Eastern Shore of Maryland in the year 1759

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

I had the record of my age till I lost my eyesight and since then I don't know what has become of it

3. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolution war and where do you now live

I was living in the County of Burke in the State of Georgia after the Revolution I lived in Bryan County in said State 18 years I now live in Screven County Georgia

4. How were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

I was a volunteer

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

Colonel Elbert and Major Habersham Lieutenant Ignatius Few that commanded the Regular Troops but I cannot recollect the number of regiments the circumstances of my service was that we served on a frontier country and was stationed in small companies to guard the frontiers.

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

I received a discharge from [one or more indecipherable words] but not from my proved service Did you ever receive a commission and if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it I received a commission signed by Cernal John Twiggs but I do not no [know] say what went with it.

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution.

John Henderson Daniel Grantham, Shadrach Griffin, Elijah Grantham, John Grantham, Godfrey Purvis

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Georgia Burke County: Personally came before me L. F. Powell one of the Justices of the Inferior Court for said County Stephen Hayman who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was an eyewitness to about four years service of Henry Hayman in the Revolutionary War in behalf of the United States the time of [paper compromised word illegible] the service not recollectd he was appointed first Lieutenant under Captain Fann and joined Colonel Few and fought under him at the battle of Burke Jail after which time he joined General Ash [John Ashe] in a short time the British and Tories came on them and had a considerable Skirmish they were forced to retreat after this time he joined a volunteer company under Captain Inman was in several engagements under Inman one at Demrys ferry one at the cross roads and one at Edisto he remained with Captain Inman until the British got possession of Charleston he then went on to North Carolina and joined General Twiggs During the above time I Deponent served with said Henry Hayman and their we separated.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th of October 1834

S/ Stephen Hayman, X his mark

s/ Lewis F. Powell, JIC

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State of Georgia

This is to certify that Henry Hayman hath steadfastly done his duty from the time of passing an Act at Augusta, to wit, on the 20th of August, 1781 until the total expulsion of the British from this State; and the said Henry Hayman, cannot to my knowledge or belief, be convicted of plundering or distressing the country; and is therefore, under said act, entitled to a Bounty of two hundred fifty acres of land, free from taxes for ten years.

Given under my hand at New Savannah this 2nd day of March 1784

S/ John Twiggs, B. G.

[a copy]

[f. 22: the handwriting is very challenging but this appears to be a letter dated February 25, 1856 from James Hayman in which he states that his father died leaving no widow but to surviving children himself and a sister (not named)]

[f p. 36: Nancy Clanton wrote a letter dated August 8 1856 from Madison County Florida in which she states she is the daughter of the veteran and his sister of James Hayman.]