

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh McCabe S2005

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State of Tennessee Maury County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Session September Term 1832

On this 14th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Maury County and State of Tennessee, Hugh McCabe a resident of Maury County in the State of Tennessee, aged about seventy-five 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832. –

That he entered the service of the United States at the time and under the officers herein after mentioned, and served as herein stated –

He is unable to recollect the exact time when he entered the service, but at the time was a resident of Amherst County Virginia on Pedlar River [a tributary of James River]. He was drafted for a tour of one month, rendezvoused at Albemarle Barracks where he was stationed to guard about ten thousand British Prisoners (Burgoyne's). He thinks that Colonel or General Taylor [Lt. Colonel Francis Taylor] was his commander (but is not confident) but does not recollect the other officers as they were changed every day. He remained at the Albemarle Barracks and served out the term for which he was drafted.

In a few months, he was again drafted for the term of one month, and proceeded to Albemarle Barracks, where he was again stationed for the purpose of guarding British prisoners, under Colonel or General Taylor and other officers whose names cannot be remembered from the fact that they were so frequently changed. He served out this tour, –

In a short time after his return, he was again drafted for a term of three months and marched under Captain Richard Toliver [Richard Taliaferro] to Richmond Virginia, for the purpose of defending that place, the British having committed many depredations in that section. He served out the time for which he was drafted.

Afterwards, (how long he cannot recollect) he was again drafted for three months, and marched under Captain Richard Ballinger to Hoods Fort on James River, where he was stationed for the purpose of guarding the Fort; Before he was stationed at Hood's Fort, the British had spiked the cannon at that place. He served out the three months, and whilst on service was sent from Hood's Fort under Captain Morgan to guard a store of ammunition which he was conveying to Williamsburg – or Norfolk he cannot recollect which – at this place he saw all General Lafayette and Mullenburgh [Peter Muhlenberg] – he made no tarry at this place but returned to Hoods Fort, where he remained until his term of service expired, when he received a discharge from Captain Ballinger. He recollects, that Captain Ballinger talked of marching him into Carolina.

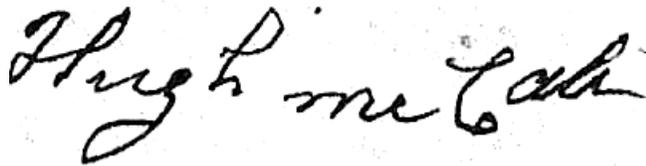
Afterwards, he was drafted for twenty days and marched to Charlotte City Court House – The object of this tour was to strengthen the Garrison at that place. We arrived there about two

days after about one hundred men of the American Army had been surprised by about forty of the Queens Rangers and the greater part of them cut to pieces. After he arrived he saw many wounded men, and also many of the hats of our men which had been cut into two parts by a strike of the sword. He thinks, that he served about two months on this tour – he was in no engagement, – thinks he received a discharge. When he entered the service he was a resident of Amherst County Virginia, and there continued until Cornwallis' Surrender [October 19, 1781] – he thinks he had just returned home from his last tour when this surrender took place – He thinks that he received a discharge at the expiration of each tour, as he knows that he served his full time in each tour – he kept his discharges for many years, but has lost them – he has no documentary evidence of his service, nor does he know of any person by whom he can prove his services in detail – he regrets very much that he is unable to fix precisely the dates of his different tours – but he has become so impaired in his memory that he is unable to recollect precisely the dates of his services. 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/ Thomas J Porter, Clerk

S/ Hugh McCabe

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hugh McCabe". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

[Thomas Wortham and James Mitchell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia service.]