

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Henry Anglin S31521

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State of Georgia, Jackson County

On this 2 day of October personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court of said County, being a Court of record, now sitting Henry Anglin, a resident of the County of Jackson & State of Georgia aged Seventy one years on the __ [blank in original] day of May last 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 7 June 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated – Viz.: He commenced the Service under Colonel John Stewart & Colonel Elijah Clarke, & Captain Henry Duke in Georgia at the age of about 15 or 16 years, the day, month & year not recollected precisely, continued in the service commonly called the minute service, under the Command of one or other above named officers for about eighteen months – this was in Wilkes County Georgia. Afterwards he volunteered under the command of Major Burwell Smith, who was under the command of Colonel John Dooly, in a three months tour on the frontiers of Georgia against the Indians. After the expiration of the three months tour, he still remained under Colonel Dooly's command & in Captain Collins's Company & surprised the Tories under the Command of one Colonel Fait [Tait? Or Tate?] as he called himself, on the head of Ogeechee River in (then) Wilkes County Georgia; that Company of Tories was then on their way to Augusta to join the British. After this, he was taken prisoner by the Tories above Augusta in the edge of Wilkes County; he was treated & abused badly by them & afterwards delivered over by them to the Indians who were upon the point of scalping him when he was rescued from them by one of the Tories, & again taken by the body of Tories who had first delivered him to the Indians, who determined to hang him & had in fact made the necessary preparations to do so by tying a rope around his neck, placing him on a horse & then fastening the other end of the rope to the top of a stout sapling. At this critical moment a British officer was brought up at his request, who apparently in great rage with the Tories ordered him to be released from the sapling, & had him handcuffed & placed under guard for the night. However the same British officer ordered him & over Whig prisoners to be hung on the next day at 10 o'clock, when the hour of execution arrived we were allowed to take the oath of allegiance to Great Britain & were paroled, & made his escape. Sometime after his escape, believing that the oath he had taken was only “from the teeth out” he joined the American forces under General James Jackson, & attacked the Company of Captain Buckner Harris & Regiment of Col. Williamson, under whom he had served a while as Captain in the minute service. He was at the taking of Augusta by the Americans under General Jackson – it was done by raising a mountain battery & firing from it with Cannon into the Fort occupied by the British. After the taking of Augusta he went home to Wilkes County & there remained until a volunteer Company was raised by Captain Jonathan Jones to march to the aid of General Wayne [Anthony Wayne], who was besieging Savannah – under whose Command he remained about four months until the taking of Savannah. After the taking of Savannah he returned to Wilkes County & commenced again the border war with the Indians by serving tours of 10 days at a time & finding our own provisions. He continued in service against the Indians until some time after the Conclusion of the Revolution. He thinks he served about three years during the Revolution – but cannot state the precise quantity of time as he was quite young when he Commenced the service. He was never drafted during the war as he always felt above it, but always served as a Volunteer and never was a substitute nor ever substituted anyone in his stead. He never was in any regular battle except the Sieges of Augusta & Savannah – but was in a multitude of skirmishes with the Tories & Indians – has seen many Tories & Indians hung in the same way that he was about to be hanged by them as above described. He knew Generals Jackson & Wayne, & they were all the General officers he was acquainted with – General Jackson was a very small man –

General Wayne was low but somewhat corpulent. He has no documentary evidence except those attached hereto, & knows no person whose testimony he can procure which would prove anything more than the papers hereto annexed.

In addition to the above he answers as follows to the questions propounded by the Department:

1st I was born in Orange County North Carolina near Hillsboro – in the year 1761.

2nd I have no record of my age.

3rd I was living in Wilkes County Georgia when called into service. I have lived in Jackson County Georgia since the Revolutionary war & lived there yet.

4th I was always a Volunteer

5th General James Jackson & General Wayne – recollects no other regiments than those under Jackson & Wayne -- & the general circumstances of his Service has been already stated briefly.

6th I never received any other discharge than the one attached hereto signed by Daniel Conner.¹

7th Russell Jones, James Pitman, Colonel John Hampton, John G. Pitman, John King, Sterling Mayo, & many others.

He has no claim to a pension or annuity except the present & his name is not on the agency of any State in the Union.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. S/ Henry Anglin

[John W. Glenn, a clergyman, & Edward Pharr gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

“This is to Certify that in the year 1779 Henry Anglin was a Soldier under my Command as Lieutenant of Captain Williamson's Militia Company, Georgia, Wilkes County.

Given under my hand this the 31st of October 1829.

S/ Daniel Conner”

Georgia, Clarke County

Before me Reubin Wallis a Justice of the peace for said County personally at came Daniel Conner and deposeth and saith on oath that he was well acquainted with Henry Anglin in the Revolutionary War and that he was a Soldier under my Command as I was Lieutenant under Captain M. Williamson of Wilkes County Georgia. Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 20th November 1832.

S/ Reubin Wallis, JP

S/ Daniel Conner, X his mark

Georgia, Walton County

Personally came before me James Swords² who being duly Sworn Saith that he was well acquainted with Henry Anglin in time of the Revolutionary War and that he knows that the said Anglin did enlist in the minute Service with Captain Henry Duke who was Commanded by Colonel John Stewart & Elijah Clarke in the State of Georgia and was attached to the Command of General James Jackson at the Siege of Augusta & from that was transferred to General Wayne's Command at the Siege of Savannah.

Sworn to & subscribed to before me this 23th July 1830.

S/ D. Hardwick, JP

S/ James Swords, O his mark

1 [Daniel Conner R2228](#)

2 [James Swords S32002](#)