

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Haynes (Hains) S32307

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State of Indiana Union County: SS

In the Union Circuit Court September Term, 1832

On this 8th day of September in the year aforesaid personally appeared in open Court, being a court of Record before the Honorable Charles H. Test [?], president Judge of the sixth Judicial Circuit and Daniel Ogden & Robert Swann, his associate judges of said Court, Richard Hains a resident of the County of Union aforesaid, and State of Indiana, aged 69 years on the 19th day of this month who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1777 in a company commanded by Henry Conaway [Henry Conway] in the Battalion commanded by __ Bluford [Abraham Buford]; and Regiment commanded by Colonel __ Lewis, he thinks Charles was in the officer's name, in the 14th Virginia Regiment on the Virginia Line under the officers already named for the Term of three years, that he continued to serve in said Regiment for the term of two years and six months, at which time he received a furlough at Bonbrook [Boundbrook] in New Jersey to go home to Virginia, that while he was on said Furlough the Regiment to which he belonged marched to South Carolina, Charleston, when the Regiment was taken by the British before he could join them; that he never received any written discharge: that he was in the Battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] & the white horse [skirmish September 16, 1777 at the White Horse Tavern 3 miles West of Malvern Pennsylvania]; that he resided in the County of Pittsylvania, in the State of Virginia when he enlisted in the service, that after the enlistment he marched to Albemarle Court House in Virginia, from thence to Fredericksburg, thence to Alexander, thence to Baltimore, thence to Philadelphia, thence to Bondbrook in the Jerseys, then to Morristown, then to Philadelphia, then to the head of Elk, then to White Marsh, then to Valley Forge, then across the Delaware to Monmouth, then to the White Plains, in New York, then to West Point, then to Bond Brook in the Jerseys, that he knew Captains Marks, Threat, Lawback, belonging to the same Regiment, General Weden [George Weedon], Colonel Stubblefield, Captain Hawkins and many others: That he has no documentary evidence in his possession to prove his services, nor does he know of any person by whom he can prove 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 any agency in any state.

S/ Richard Hains, X his mark

[John Plummer, a clergyman, and Edghill Burnside gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

And the Court having propounded to the said Hains the following Interrogatories and received

from him the following answers (to wit)

1st where and in what year were you born? I was born in the year 1753 if my age has been kept correctly in Prince Edward County, Virginia.

2nd. Have you any record of your age, and if so, where is it? Yes, the record of my father, transmitted in my father's family Bible. I left it at home, not supposing it was necessary to produce it to the court.

3rd. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war & where do you now live? I was then living in the County called Franklin Virginia, for 10 or 11 years after the leak War I continued to reside in Virginia, then removed to Tennessee, and for the last 10 or 12 years have lived in this State, the principal part of the time in Union County.

4th. How were you called into the service, were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute? And if a substitute for whom? I enlisted.

[5th] 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 services? I enlisted under one Lieutenant General Rees in Captain Henry Conway's company, they were regular officers in what is called the Continental Army. I served 2 ½ years in the regular Army of General Washington, Weedon who lived in Fredericksburg was the Brigadier General, one Lewis, I think by the Christian name of Charles was our Colonel besides this I served two short tours in the Militia in all about ten weeks against the Tories and the Cherokee Indians.

6th. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given, and what has become of it? – I never did, because I got a furlough to go home & did so, while there I got sick, and was not able to return in consequence at the time that my furlough expired, and therefore I'll was able to return the Regiment to which I belonged had marched to Charleston and was taken by the British, and the Country being overrun by the Tories & British I did not get to join them anymore.

7th. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution. John Plummer, E. Burnside, Thomas Cully, James Lawston are the only persons present in court that can testify. If I had supposed it would have been necessary I could have brought more of my neighbors to Court with me, who could testify to the same.

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Franklin October 14, 1833

Dear Brother

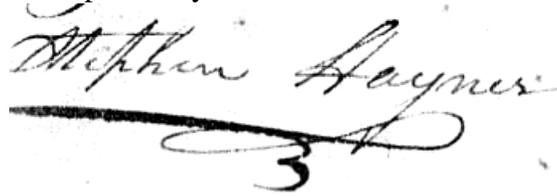
Through the mercies of Providence myself and family are yet in the land of the living and are enjoying tolerable good health, hoping that you and family are all well, I received your letter of the 5th June which informed me that you was well, which gave me pleasure to hear from you, and also you informed me that you wished me to procure all the evidence that I could relative to your enlistment and service in the Revolutionary War, I have done so, and have proven by the Affidavits of Daniel and Burwell Law¹ that you enlisted under Captain Henry Conaway in the Regular Service and served as much as 2 years and upwards but the time of your enlistment and Regiment and Battalions not recollected, I have given the Affidavits into the hands of Nathaniel H Claiborne our representative to Congress to carry with him to Congress who will do all that he

¹ These affidavits are not among the documents contained in this file

can for you, and who knows the men that deposed and the magistrate who they deposed under and clerk who has certified that he is an acting justice of the peace, it will be necessary for you to make your representative to Congress your power of attorney to act for you and make him acquainted with all the circumstances of this letter who can see Claiborne our member to Congress who will assist him to procure your pension, if you recollect the time of your enlistment and Regiment and Battalion that you was attached to you had better inform your Congressman as he may find your name enrolled in the War Department and if your name can be found there it will answer every purpose, I know of no man living that were with you in service but Major Samuel Cockrain [Samuel Cochran?] who is now living in Sumner County Tennessee your relations in this Country are generally well as far as I know. My son Lewis Haynes is dead he died last August, no more at present but remain your loving Brother till death

Richard Haynes

S/ Stephen Haynes

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen Haynes". Below the signature is a long, horizontal flourish that ends in a small loop.

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State of Indiana Lawrence County Sct.

This day personally appeared before me Alexander H Dunnhue a Justice of the peace for the County & State aforesaid Stephen Potter Senior who being by me duly sworn saith

"That he was acquainted with Richard Haines (now here present) in the County of Pittsylvania & State of Virginia – that they were raised boys together in the same neighborhood and I also knew him to enlist in the regular service in the revolutionary Army of the United States sometime in the winter of the year 1777 for the term of 3 years – in Captain Henry Conaway's Company, Lieutenant Jenkins – and he entered the service accordingly and remained there in 2 years and some months and returned home on furlough, and that he knows that the said Richard Haines now here present to be the same man."

S/ Stephen Potter

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 24th day of October 1833

S/ A. H. Dunnhue, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]