

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Deshazo: W1832

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State of Virginia Henry County toWit

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832. personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Henry now sitting William Deshazo a resident of the County aforesaid & state of Virginia aged seventy three years who being first 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. In the winter of 1777 he enlisted under Capt Henry Dudley for the term of three years, and immediately there after was attached to second Virginia State Regiment, commanded by Colo. Gregory Smith that he marched in the said Regiment to Valley Forge and was attached to the Brigade of General Mhulenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg]. that he was in the Battle of Monmouth [28 June 1778], and was at the attack on Stoney Point on Paulus's Hook [See note below.] that he continued in the service in the said Brigade until the spring of 1780 when he received his discharge at Williamsburg. the applicant further states that he surrendered his discharge to the Land office at Richmond when he received his land warrant & that he continued in the service for the term aforesaid

He hereby relinquishes all 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, or (if on any) only on that of the agency of the State of Virginia

Sworn and subscribed on the day & year aforesaid -                      William hisXmark Deshazo

NOTES:

Stony Point NY and Paulus Hook NJ are about 100 miles apart and were the sites of two different American victories on 15 July and 19 Aug 1779.

In Henry County on 29 July 1848 Jane Deshazo, 74, applied for a pension stating that she married William Deshazo in Nov 1794 and that he died 24 April 1839. Deshazo's pension certificate notes that he died 27 April 1839. On 15 Sep 1855 in Henry County Jane Deshazo applied for bounty land, giving her age as 85 and stating that as Jane King she married William Deshazo in Person County NC, but could not recall the date. The file includes a copy of the bond signed by Thomas Halliburton and William Deshazo on 5 Nov 1794 for the marriage of Deshazo to Gincy King.