

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Andrew Hannah W794  
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State of Tennessee, Washington County

On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day October 1833 personally appeared in Open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas &c for Washington County now sitting Andrew Hannah a resident of the County of Washington & State of Tennessee aged seventy three 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.

That he was born in the State of Pennsylvania Lancaster County in Paxton Township in the year 1760 on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August as appears from a copy of his age taken from his Father's record.

That about the year 1772 he with his Father & family moved to Surry County State of North Carolina where he remained until the year 1780 about the month of July as well as he now recollects he volunteered & enrolled himself under Captain Mynor Smith of Surry County in said County to march against some Tories who it was said had embodied themselves up near the Mountains. That the company to which he belonged was placed under the command of Major Winston [Joseph Winston] who was also a Citizen of Surry County and was marched into Wilkes County where he with all those under the said Major Winston joined Colonel Cleveland 's [Benjamin Cleveland's] Regiment and was marched on near to the Catawba River where he with his Regiment joined the troops under the command of Colonels Campbell [William Campbell], Sevier [John Sevier] & Shelby [Isaac Shelby] and was marched from thence to King's Mountain where they met Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] who commanded the British & Tories in a battle fought at that place between the American Army under the command of Colonels Cleveland, Campbell, Sevier & Shelby and the said Ferguson who commanded as above stated in which the British & Tories were defeated, killed and taken prisoners. This declarant states that he was in said battle, that on the night previous to the battle he was placed on the advance guard in consequence of which he was with his Captain & Company thrown on the right wing which was commanded by Colonel Sevier. After which battle he states he was marched into Burke County on the Catawba River where the wounded were left under the care of Dr. Dobson with two men to each one of the wounded of Colonel Cleveland's Regiment where this declarant remained until the person on whom he was appointed to attend died when he went to his Captain Mynor Smith [Minor Smith] and attended on him until he recovered of his wound, he also having been wounded in said Battle and returned home to Surry County with him by way of Wilkes Courthouse. He states that he does not

distinctly recollect the term of his service but is clear in saying that he served three months as above stated in said campaign. He states that he did not receive any written discharge, neither any formal discharge but returned home with the permission of his said Captain Smith as above stated. That in the Spring of the year 1781 he with his Father's family moved to Washington County then State of North Carolina now Tennessee where he remained until the latter part of the summer or fall of 1781 when he substituted in said County in the place of James Rendle who was drafted for three months and enrolled under Captain William Tremble of Washington County and State aforesaid attached to Colonel Sevier's Regiment of the same County & State and marched to South Carolina, crossing the Yellow & Iron Mountains on, by way of Camden, the high hills of Santee to Santee River when he with Col Sevier's Regiment joined Genl Marion's Regiment, was occasionally employed in scouting of the Tories & British; on one occasion he was with a scouting party under the command of Genl Marion who was Col of the Cavalry, Col Sevier who was also of the Cavalry & Colonel Oree [Horry] who took an [indecipherable word, could be intended to be "Auxiliary"] near a Moncks Corner with about 90 prisoners, guarded said prisoners into camp in a swamp on Santee River from which place this declarant was marched with Captain Tremble's company on to Washington County now Tennessee where he was verbally discharged by his said Captain Tremble after having served not less than three months but thinks it probable it was about four months as others who have a knowledge of said tour think it was about a four months tour.

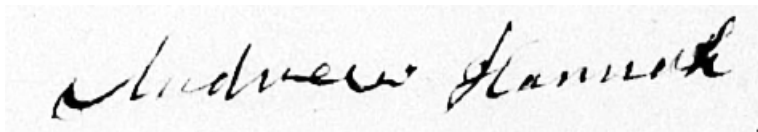
He states that at the time he was on the tour to King's Mountain he had a substitute in the service of the United States; [said substitute] served a three months tour in the place of this declarant and said substitute was in a battle on Santee River & was wounded in said battle as this declarant understood and believes.

This declarant states that he served in the war of the Revolution not less than six months in the foregoing tours aside from the tour performed by a substitute as above stated. He states that he received no written discharge for either of the above tours of duty but was verbally discharged by his said Captains Smith & Tremble, he states that Col Marion & Col Horry belonged to the Continental establishment as he understood. He also states that he has no documentary evidence of his service. He knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. He further states that he now resides in Washington County Tennessee where he has resided for the space of upwards of 50 years past.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. He further states that there is no resident Minister of the Gospel residing in his Vicinity who can certify as to neighborhood repute of his being a soldier of the Revolution.

S/ Andrew Hannah

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

[John Kennedy and James Sevier gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 11: On March 30, 1844 in Washington County Tennessee, Jane Hannah, 75, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Andrew Hannah; a pensioner under the 1832 act at the rate of \$20 per annum; that she married him October 14, 1788; that her husband died April 1, 1843; and that she remains his widow.]

[facts in file: The veteran and his wife had the following children:  
Marget born July 25, 1789

Jean born December 25, 1790  
Polly born February 10, 1793  
Esther born February 24, 1795  
John born November 15, 1797  
Lucinda Fruit born April 14, 1800  
Andrew, Junior born November 23, 1802  
Eliza born June 29, 1805.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]