

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ephraim Cassel R1792

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State of Georgia, Campbell County

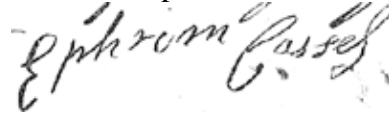
On this Seventeenth day of October one thousand Eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open court before Walter V. Calquitt Judge of the Superior Court for the County & State aforesaid, now sitting, Ephraim Cassel a resident of said County & State, aged Sixty seven years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on is oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he volunteered for six months in the month of September or October 1779 under Captain Hasel [Hazel or Hayes?] and served under the following field officers, to wit: Major Chriswell, Col. Williams [probably James Williams], all of South Carolina. That he cannot now call to mind the name of his General. That he volunteered in Newberry District South Carolina. That he was marched from Newberry to Camden, from thence to Bacon's Bridge on Edisto River, from thence to Courbie [?] Ferry on Broad River he thinks, from thence he was marched home to Newberry District S. C. where he was discharged by his Captain, the twelfth of March 1780. As will appear by the discharge hereto annexed—which Captain was afterwards killed at King's Mountain [October 7, 1780]¹ in an engagement with the British—That he then moved his residence down on Savannah River near a noted Ferry called Sisters Ferry in the Spring of 1782 and was soon after drafted under Capt. Dupon or Dusson. That the following were his Field Officers Major John Lecraft [John Leacraft], and Col. Stafford [William Stafford] commanded, as to the Genl. if any, [he] does not now recollect him—That he was in one little Battle or skirmish at Ebenezer below the Sisters Ferry on Savannah River. That he served with two other Companies alternatively until peace was procured.

That he was at the Battle fought at the Cowpens by General Morgan in January 1781 [January 17, 1781]. That he left home (Newberry District for it was before he moved) of his own accord in consequence of Disturbances very frequent occasioned by the Tories & skirmishing parties of the British. That he joined General Morgan but a few days before the Battle. That Colonel Howard [John Eager Howard] & Colonel Washington [William Washington] was there at the Battle he thinks But cannot recollect the names of any other officers. That he heads in his possession no evidence whatever except the annexed discharge and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. 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.

¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_kings_mountain.html

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written.

S/ Ephraim Cassel



[Isaac Gray and Daniel Stewart gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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twieth day March 1780

Cap Josaf hays² [This is what it looks like to me but this is merely a guess]



² THIS MAY BE A DOCUMENT SIGNED BY JOSEPH HAYES WHO ASSUMED COMMAND OF THE LITTLE RIVER REGIMENT OF WHIG MILITIA AFTER THE DEATH OF COL. JAMES WILLIAMS AT KING'S MOUNTAIN.

[Note: This file contains two letters from the veteran to J. L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions, in which the veteran states that the discharge he offered in support of his claim is genuine. Edwards replied that he thought it was not genuine.]