Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Simon Hager (Hagar) R4424 Transcribed by Will Graves Elizabeth Hager f22NC 3/28/11 rev'd 12/5/15

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County} On this 15th day of October 1832 William Hutchinson [sic]¹ appeared before me the subscribing Justice, & made oath in due form of law, that he is acquainted with Simon Hager now living in Lincoln County North Carolina, that the said Hager enlisted under this deponent in the year 1780 at Charlotte for ten months, & served his full tower [tour] under me who was under Col. William Polk, that his services was principally in the State of South Carolina, I further swear that I am unable to attend Court to give my deposition.

S/Wm Hutchison

[p 4] State of North Carolina Lincoln County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions October Sessions

On this 29th day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions in and for the said County Simon Hager a resident of Lincoln County aforesaid, aged sixty-nine years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his Corporal oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1780, with Captain William Hutchison² & served in the Regiment of the North Carolina line, under the following named officers. That he enlisted for 10 months under Captain Hutchison & served in his company all the time (except when out on volunteer service) in Colonel Polks [Lt. Col. William Polk's] Regiment under General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter]; that he was discharged at a place called Brown's old fields, near Stateborough [Statesboro] in South Carolina, after serving his full term for which he enlisted that he had a written discharge, but that it has been destroyed by being washed in his pocket after his return; that he lived in Lincoln

¹ William Hutchison (Hutchinson) W10133

² J. D. Lewis suggests that the officer under whom this veteran served is more likely to have been Capt. Samuel Martin, not William Hutchison. See, http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/patriot_military_sc_privates_h.htm

County State of North Carolina, when he enlisted, but enlisted in Charlotte Mecklenburg County; that he was in the battle at Moncks Corner, at the Four holes, at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] & at Rugeley's Mills³, that the principal part of his service was in the State of South Carolina.

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

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid Witness S/ Vardry McBee, Clerk of Said Court

S/ Simon Hager, X his mark

[p 9: On December 2, 1845 in Lincoln County North Carolina, William Hagar a resident of Lincoln County filed a claim under the 1838 act on behalf of himself and the other heirs of Elizabeth Hagar, the widow of Simon Hagar, a revolutionary war pensioner; that his parents were married sometime in the year 1780; that his father died January 28, 1835 survived by his mother Elizabeth who died March 1, 1842 survived by the following children or heirs at law: Frederick: Barbary [Barbara] who intermarried with John Elders; Mary who intermarried with John Rudisel; Katharine who intermarried with David Smith, John and William Hager.]

[Note: The affidavit given by <u>Abraham Forney W3976</u> in the file of <u>Simon Hagar S8686</u> appears to relate to this veteran and not to the <u>Simon Hagar S8686</u>. That affidavit reads as follows:

[p 6 of the <u>Simon Hagar S8686</u> file] State of North Carolina, Lincoln County

This Day Personally came Abraham Forney of the State and County aforesaid before Jacob Henry one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County and after being sworn in due form of law states that he the said Abraham Forney was in the Service or campaign for the benefit of the liberty & freedom of the United States in Company with Simon Hager [sic] Commonly called big Simon the State and County Aforesaid & into which Service Both the former Abraham Forney and Simon Hager Entered or Commenced on the twenty fifth of March in the Year of Our Lord 1781; Commenced at rendezvous at Robin Allison's under Captain Aspey [Samuel Espey], from thence Marched into the County of Mecklenburg: And there Joined General Poke [sic, Lt. Col. William Polk's] Army who then conveyed them down near Camden at Rukeleley's Mills [sic, Rugeley's Mills] and there were put under the command of Colonel Dudley – And after staying there some considerable time under the command of General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] the said Abraham Forney States that he was conveyed by the same stated Dudley some distance from the Army as picket the said A. Forney acting as Sergeant where he remained about two days from whence when he returned the greater Part of the Army was Removed by the above stated Aspey, Dudley and Greene and the said A. Forney then fell under the Command of a certain Colonel Marshel [John Marshel]: and by those means was separated from the above named Simon Hager: he thinks sometime in May of the above stated year: and can state no more about him.

³ This MAY be a reference to the action on December 4, 1780 although none of the officers under whom the veteran says he served are known to have been present at that action. http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rugeley_mills_2.html

Sworn to and subscribed this 25^{th} day of October 1833. S/ Jacob Army, JP



[p 9: On December 2nd, 1845 in Lincoln County North Carolina William Hager a resident of Lincoln County gave testimony that he is one of the sons and heirs-at-law of Elizabeth Hager the widow of Simon Hager who was a private in the North Carolina militia and a pensioner at the rate of \$33.33 per annum; that his parents married sometime in the year 1780; that his father died January 28, 1835; that his mother Elizabeth Hager died March 1, 1842; that the names of all of her children living as of July 7, 1838 were Frederick: Barbary [Barbara Elders] who intermarried with John Elders: Mary [Mary Rudisel] who intermarried with John Rudisel: Katherine [Katherine Smith] who intermarried with David Smith: John: and William.

Milliam Hager

[p 7: On December 5, 1845 in Cleveland County North Carolina, Alexander Morrison gave testimony that he was married on June 26, 1797; that he was well acquainted with Simon and Elizabeth Hagar; that they were married prior to the year 1794 and had 3 or 4 children at the time Morrison married.



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private in the North Carolina state Troops for him 10 months. I could not determine from the documents in this file why the application on behalf of the widow was denied.]