Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Archibald Peacock R8026 f18NC
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State of Georgia Washington County} On this 20th day of July 1844 personally appeared before us Samuel Robison and Asa P. Peacock Justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County, Archibald Peacock a resident of Washington County and State of Georgia aged eighty-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 the 7th 1832:

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He Entered as a private in the Militia in the month of said or 1779 in the company commanded by Captain David Dudley in the County of Dobbs State of North Carolina as a Substitute for and in the place of William Watkins for three months marched through Dobbs County, crossed the Neuse River marched through Sampson County, crossed Cape Fear River at Campbellton thence up to Cross Creek in Cumberland County from thence crossed Drowning Creek at Coals Bridge [Cole's Bridge?] thence to Big Pedee River near the Junction of the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River] and Rocky Rivers at this place this declarant was left sick and there remained until his term of service expired and was then discharged by Colonel Benjamin Exum which discharge is lost having been three months in the service Captain David Dudley and Captain ____ Shipman was in this service.

This deponent entered the service again of the United States under the following named officers and served as hereinafter stated, he entered as a private in the militia in the month of September 1780 in the Company commanded by Captain Stephen Sasser in the County of Wayne State of North Carolina a Substitute for and in the place of Samuel Barnes for three months from Wayne County marched through Dobbs County crossed the Neuse River to Whitefield's ferry and marched in a direction for Wilmington and at the North East [River] was taken sick and there remained until his term of service expired having served three months under this Engagement. Colonel Moulton and Captain Sasser were officers in this service, received no written discharge but was dismissed in the month of December 1780 after remaining in the service three months.

This deponent previous to the last term of service above stated viz. in the month of April 1780 in the County of Wayne State of North Carolina Entered the service of the United States as a private volunteer in the Company of Light horse commanded by Captain Benjamin Alford and remained in service for one month. This service was confined to the Counties of Wayne and Dobbs in guarding and protecting the inhabitants from the insults of the Tories.

This deponent further declares that there is no documentary Evidence known to him by which he can Establish the service before specified nor does he know of any person whose

testimony he can procure to establish the same except the testimony of Uriah Peacock ¹ & John Peacock which is hereunto annexed. And by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively to the length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than seven months as before mentioned and in the manner therein specified and for which service he claims a pension.

Hereby relinquishing every claim except to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. And to the Interrogatories² propounded he answers as follows viz.

1st Dobbs County North Carolina 1762

2nd If any I do not know where it is

3rd In Dobbs & Wayne counties North Carolina in North Carolina South Carolina and Washington County Georgia

4th Substituted twice volunteered once William Watkins & Samuel Barnes

5th Do not recollect any of the regular officers Colonel Moulton was a Militia officer I refer to my preceding declaration for the General circumstances

6th I received a discharge from Colonel Benjamin Exum which is lost

7th Dr. William P. Haynes, Colonel Morgan Brown, Nathanael Renfroe & Ezekiel W. Kelly Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before us

S/ Archibald Peacock, X his mark

S/ Asa P. Peacock, JIC WC S/ Samuel Robison, JIC WC

[WP Haynes, M.G., A. Brown gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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George of Washington County: On this 20th day of July 1844 Before us Samuel Robison and Asa P. Peacock Justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County personally appeared John Peacock aged 76 years and after being duly sworn according to law saith that he was well acquainted with Archibald Peacock in the year 1779 and 1780, who has this day made his declaration under oath to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 7th of June 1832 granting pensions to revolutionary Soldiers and that he knows that the declarant was in the service in the revolutionary war in the years above stated and that he believes declarant entered and return from the service as specified in his said declaration and deponent further believes that declarant is of the age stated in his said Declaration and that he has always been reputed to be and believed to be a revolutionary Soldier in the neighborhood where he resides.

² The War Department promulgated regulations governing pension application format and requiring the following 7 interrogatories to be put to each applicant for a pension:

¹ Uriah Peacock W18744

^{1&}lt;sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

^{2&}lt;sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

^{3&}lt;sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

^{4&}lt;sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

^{5&}lt;sup>th</sup> 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 service.

 $^{6^{}th}$ Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

^{7&}lt;sup>th</sup> 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 in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed before us the day and year first above written S/ Asa P. Peacock, JIC WC

S/ John Peacock, X his mark

S/ Samuel Robison, JIC WC

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State of Georgia Washington County: On this 18th day of December 1844 Personally appeared before me Samuel Robison one of the Justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County, Archibald Peacock a revolutionary Soldier, and after being duly sworn according to law makes the following declaration explanatory of the one made by him some time previous, in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress of the 7 of June 1832 allowing pensions to certain officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war

That he is indigent illiterate and an obscure man, not able to procure legal counsel and by those with whom he associated he was advised that no pension was allowed to those who served as substitutes and that he was not otherwise informed until a very short time before the filing [of] his declaration which is the cause of its not being done sooner;

and this deponent further saith, that he has no means by which he can procure the certificates of the Secretary of State and Comptroller of North Carolina, and if that is required of him it will be a prohibition of that pittance which he is advised and does believe is justly due him by the act above referred to, there being no other testimony known to this deponent at this time at his control, he rests his case (with the above explanation) upon the testimony already before the department, sustained as it is by two respectable witnesses he entertaining a lively hope that it may be favorable [sic, favorably] considered.

And this deponent further saith that from old age and other bodily infirmity he is not able to appear in Court.

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year first above written.

S/ Samuel Robison, JIC Was. Co.

S/ Archibald Peacock, X his mark

and in presence of S/Kincheon Peacock

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Georgia Washington County: On this 20th day of July 1844 before us Samuel Robison and Asa P. Peacock Justices of the Inferior Court in and for said County Personally appeared Uriah Peacock aged eighty-four years and after being duly sworn according to law saith that he was well acquainted with Archibald Peacock in the year 1779 and 1780 who has this day made his declaration under oath to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 7th day of June 1832 granting pensions to revolutionary Soldiers, and that he knows that the declarant was in the service in the revolutionary war in the years above specified and this deponent further states that he served with declarant under Captain Sasser the three months specified in declarant's Declaration and that he further believes that Declarant entered and returned from the various services set forth in his said declaration at the times therein specified -- And deponent further believes that declarant is of the age stated in his said Declaration and that he has always been reputed to be and believed to be a revolutionary soldier in the neighborhood where he resides.

Sworn to and subscribed before us the day and year above written.

S/ Asa P. Peacock, JIC WC

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