Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Anthony Baker S12957

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Virginia Hardy County Sct

On this 21st day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the Court of the County aforesaid now sitting, Anthony Baker, a resident of Hardy County & State of Virginia aged 70 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, & served as herein stated.

That he was born in Shenandoah County Virginia in the year 1761 or 62. That he has no account of his age, the original record being destroyed.

That he lived, when called into service, in the County of Hampshire (now Hardy) Virginia, and has, ever since the Revolution, & does now reside in said County of Hardy Virginia.

That he was drafted for six months and served in the company commanded by Capt. D. Richardson – in September 1780 he was drafted.

That he was acquainted with General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene a regular – Major [George] Stubblefield and General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] officers in the Militia Regiment to which he was attached but does not recollect the numbers of any Regiments.

That he marched from Hampshire County Va. to Woodstock in Shenandoah County Va. where his company was joined by a company commanded by Capt Rinkers [probably Jacob Rinker]] – thence to Staunton in Augusta County Va. & from thence to Hillsborough in South Carolina [sic: North Carolina] and was stationed at the Cheraw Hills on the Pee Pee or Pee Dee River [sic: Cheraw Hills on Pee Dee River in SC, Jan 1781]. That he was in no battle. That he returned home in April 1781 having served his six months tour. That he does not think he ever received any discharge from said service.

That he is acquainted with William Heath, Jacob Hutton, Jacob Fisher, James Miles, Jacob Harness, John Yoacum, George Neff & Jacob Neff who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. This declarant states that he knows of no clergyman who can testify as to his age or as to his reputed services as a soldier in the revolutionary war. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] Anthony Baker

The Court propounded the interrogatories prescribed by the war Department, to said Anthony Bake, & received the following answers to the same.

Answer to 1st I was born in Shenandoah Virginia in the year 1761 or 2.

Answer to 2nd I have no record of my age the original been distroyed.

Answer to 3^d I lived in the County of Hampshire (now Hardy) when called into service, now reside in the said County & have ever since the revolution.

Answer to 4th I was drafted for six months tour.

Answer to 5th I was acquainted with General Green who was a regular officer – I do not recollect the names of any of the Regiments (or numbers)

Answer to 6th I do not think I ever received a discharge.

Answer to 7th I am acquainted with William Heath, Jacob Hutton, Jacob Fisher, James Miles, Jacob Harness, John Yoacum, George Neff & Jacob Neff who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my service as a soldier of the revolution.