

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaiah (Isaiah) Hoskinson S16157

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State of Ohio, Licking County

On this 3rd day of November year 1832 personally appeared in open Court of Common Pleas now sitting within and for the County of Licking and State of Ohio Isaiah Hoskinson a resident of Franklin Township in said Licking County will be eighty two years of age on the 17th day of December next (if he so long lives) was born on the 27th December 1749, was born in Prince George's County State of Maryland (his age is recorded in his father's bible now in the possession of his sister), who being first duly sworn in open Court doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832. That he entered the services of the United States at Martinsburgh [Martinsburg] Virginia as a volunteer for six months under Captain John Baldwin about the last of August or the first of Sept. 1777 or 1778 is not positive as to the year, and marched to Pittsburgh and joined the forces under Genl. Hand [Edward Hand] who was Commander of all the forces in western country we were then marched to Wheeling on the Ohio (then called Fort Henry) and remained there and at the Beach Bottom Fort [sic, Beech Bottom Fort] until sometime in the spring when he was discharged having served out his full term (was in no battles) does not recollect whether his discharge was in writing or not if it was it has been long since lost or destroyed.

In the following fall, in about the same time of year he again volunteered for another four months tour at the same place under Henry Ambrose (Captain) Lieutenant Henry Beavers—Col. John Morrow & Major George Scott were the officers who had the command of the Regt. we then marched a Regt. of us out to the mouth of Big Beaver Creek on the Ohio where we built Fort McIntosh. There we came under the command of Genl. McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh] we then marched about one hundred miles into the Indian Country and built Fort Lawrence [sic, Fort Laurens] on the Tuscarawas River remained there some time when we went back to Fort McIntosh the Genl. then dismissed the Regt. to which he belonged and he returned with the Regt. home where he was finally discharged having been out in this campaign about four months—he did not again enter the services of the service. Deponent states he has resided in this State (Ohio) since the year 1805 previous thereto he resided more or less in the States of Maryland and Virginia and Pennsylvania. He states that he has no documentary evidence of his afore mentioned services nor does he know of any person now living at least in this section of the country by whom he can establish said services except his Brother Basil Hoskinson (now living in Erie Pennsylvania) who was out and served with him during the whole tour of four months under Capt. Baldwin.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

S/ Isaiah Hoskinson, Sr.

Isaiah Hoskinson

Sworn and Subscribed in open Court
S/ A.H. Caffee, Clk

[Samuel McKelvey and Elijah Nichols gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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The State of Ohio, Licking County

Before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of said County on this 15th day of July 1833 personally appeared Isaiah Hoskinson, who made the foregoing Declaration who being duly sworn states that by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades 1st as a private volunteer under Captain Baldwin – six months, as stated in his declaration. 2nd – under Captain Ambrose four months, making in all Ten months for which he claims a pension. He has here with annexed the Deposition of his brother to support his claim, being all the testimony he can procure. He has not furnished the certificate of a clergyman for the reason that there was none in his neighborhood but in a loop thereof has given the certificate of Samuel McKelvey and Elijah Nichols, which he hopes may answer the purpose.

S/ Isaiah Hoskinson, X his mark

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State of Pennsylvania, Erie County

Before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Erie, personally appeared Basil Hoskinson¹ to me well known & a credible witness who being duly sworn according to law on his oath doth declare that in the latter part of the month of August or in the forepart of the month of September in the year 1777 or 1778 he is not certain which, he knew that Isaiah Hoskinson (now of Licking County in the State of Ohio) volunteered (at that time) into a Company of Militia commanded by Captain John Baldwin attached to a Regiment under the Command of Colonel Pendleton: that the said Isaiah Hoskinson volunteered at Martinsburg in Barkley [Berkeley] County in the State of Virginia for the Term of six months & marched to Pittsburgh and thence to Wheeling in Virginia and thence to Beech Bottom Fort, about twelve miles above Wheeling, and that the said Isaiah Hoskinson was discharged in the month of March 1778 or 1779 and returned to Berkeley County aforesaid with this deponent who is his Brother.

S/ Basil Hoskinson, X his mark

Sworn & subscribed the 27th day of December 1832 before me
S/ John Vincent

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Erie January 3, 1832

Dear Brother,

I received your letter containing an affidavit of my Services in the Revolutionary War and I herewith send you my proof of your Services and I hope that they may both prove satisfactory to the Secretary of War: I would be glad to hear whether there is any prospect of our getting any land for our services, you once wrote to me that Captain Baldwin had got his & if you know of any way in which

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we can get ours, I wish you would write & let me know: for I am in want of it or a pension for my Support.

I continue to enjoy pretty good health, but almost blind, I cannot see to read or write: my family are all well & my Children very kind to me: You & I my dear Brother have already lived to a great age & cannot expect much longer life: I would be glad to see you, but can only hope to meet you in happiness hereafter.

Accept my best wishes & prayers for you and believe your Affectionate

Brother Basil Hoskinson

by Geo. A. Elliot

Mr. Isaiah Hoskinson

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the Virginia militia.]