Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Handy Handly (Hanly) S16401 Transcribed by Will Graves f28MD 1/20/15

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State of Indiana Sullivan County: SS

On this fifth day of May A.D. 1833 personally appeared before the County Court of said County Handy Hanly a resident of Hadden Township in the County of Sullivan & State of Indiana aged seventy-eight years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his 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 March 1781 and served in the third of Maryland Regiment in the Line under the following named officers, to wit, Col. Peter Adams (the other field officers not recollected) Capt. Lilburn Williams, Francis Baker 1st Lieut., Price 2nd Lieut. He enlisted for three years – his residence was in Dorchester County Maryland. He enlisted in Caroline County in the same state marched to Annapolis where Major Morrison gave each of us his note of hand for twenty dollars which was received at Annapolis in payment for goods &c. We then marched by order of General Smallwood [William Smallwood to George Town [Georgetown], where we received three dollars in specie and three dollars in Red Money [?]¹. From thence we marched through Williamsburg to York Town & arrived there on the day that Pigeon Hill was taken by the Americans. After being engaged in making preparations for the attack on Lord Cornwallis he received a wound in his left leg from the bursting of a bomb shell a few days before the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. He was then taken to Williamsburg hospital and after his recovery he was allowed to return home in March 1782, having been out Twelve months when so allowed to return he received from Lieut. Baker a pass and expected again to be called into service – but he never was so called. The pass has since been destroyed. The applicant has no documentary evidence 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Handy Handly Horney Handle

[John Davis, a clergyman, and James McLanahan gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Land Office, Annapolis, January 6, 1833

I hereby Certify that it appears by a list or roll, remaining in this Office headed List of Sundry Soldiers enlistments," that the name of Handy Handly, appears upon said lives, to have enlisted on the 7th day of March 1781, for the term of three years, and that the time of his discharge is blank upon said Roll, – I also further certify, that his name does not appear upon any of the revolutionary pay rolls in this Office.

S/ George G Brewer Regr. L. Off. W. S. Md.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one-year in the Maryland Continental line.]