Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Davis Manning S16941

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

Virginia

Franklin County Sct

On the 4th day of August 1834 personally appeared before me Robert Hairston a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid in the state aforesaid at the house of Peyton Ellison in said County & State aforesaid, Davis Manning (who by reason of a rupture and other infermities cannot attend court) a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged as he believes Seventy nine years but has no register of his age – and being 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 Said Manning was born in Buckingham County Va and now & has long resided in Franklin county county Va [Franklin County formed from Henry and Bedford counties in 1786].

That during the revolutionary war he entered the service of the United States, & served as stated herein. That during the said War in Henry county Va where he then resided in 1781 he volunteered & served in the company of militia commanded by Capt George Hairston and was attached to a regement commanded by Colo Henry Lynes [Henry Lyons]. He has forgot the names of the Lieutenant and Ensign of the company. The company was marched through a part of North Carolina near the blue ridge - after some time the company was marched back to Henry county Virginia and after a service of two months he was honorably discharged. — In the same year 1781 in said county of Henry in said State of Va he again volunteered in a company commanded by Capt Jonathan Hanby and was marched South and joined Genl Greens [sic: Nathanael Greene's army at Ninety Six, and was in the battle fought at the place called ninety six [sic: Siege of Ninety-Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] — He remembers Genl Green and Maj'r [Charles] Rose a field officer of the army — after the battle at ninety six from ninety six he was marched to a place called Camden and there discharged after a service of six months. He avers that during the revolutionary war he served his country in the field faithfully the full term of Eight months — whether he got written discharges or not he does not now remember but if he did they have long since been lost or mislaid — He has no documentary evidence — This applicant served as a private soldier the whole of the Eight months he was in service He is well known to Capt Wm. Jones Colo Samuel Hairston, and many others in the neighbourhood in which he resides at this time and refers to them for his character for veracity and their belief in his services as a soldier of the revolution. He hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and states that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Davis hisXmark Manning [Certified by Moses Greer, Jr., clergyman, and John Huff (pension application \$5590).]