Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Hinkle S29886

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State of Virginia

Rockbridge County to Wit,

on this 4th day of September 1832 personally appeared before me (a Justice of the peace in and for the said County of Rockbridge) Henry Hinkle of said County aged about Eighty three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he entered the service of the United States during the revolutionary War, in or about the year 1779, under the command of Capt George Bell who resided near Winchester in the State of Virginia; that he served three tours of duty of three months each making nine months in the whole, and under the said Cap't Bell. Colo. Dark [sic: William Darke] (afterwards General Dark) Commanded the regiment. that during the last tour of duty in the year 1781 he this affiant was at Yorktown in Virginia when the British army was taken under Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct]; that during the Campain he was arduously engaged in the fortification that he was one who guarded the prisoners taken there untill they arrived at the Barracks near Winchester in the State of Virginia, that about two weeks after the prisoners arrived at the Barracks aforesaid he was discharged. that the Capt fell sick, and gave a general discharge to the men under his command. that he has no documentary evidence of his service, nor does he know of any person who could testify to it, as he afterwards removed from the neighbourhood of Winchester to the County of Rockbridge and the persons who might testify to his service are all either dead or too remote, and he does not even know where any of his companions in the service reside.

and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension list, roll of the agency of any state Sworn to and subscribed before me a Justice of the peace in and for said County the day and year first aforesaid

[Signed in German]

State of Virginia

Rockbridge County to wit:

On this fifth day of August 1833 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for said County of Rockbridge, now sitting Henry Hinkle, aged Eighty three years, a resident of said County, 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, and served as is herein stated, He served the first tour of duty in the service of the United States under Capt. George Bell, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine, of three entire months, That he resided in the County of Frederick in the said state at the time his service commenced, That he was afterwards called into service under the same officer, and served two other tours of duty in the same service, but does not recollect the years nor the months, when said service commenced or terminated, but the last tour terminated after the Capture of Carnwallas and his army at York Town in Virginia, Col. Dark commanded the Regiment to which he was attached, that he served in the army at the Capture of Carnwallas, that he assisted to guard the prisoners taken there until their arrival at Winchester, and was discharged about two weeks afterwards, Capt. Bell being sick he gave a general discharge to all his men. That he has no documentary evidence of his service, nor does

he know of any person who could testify to it, as he afterwards removed from the Neighbourhood of Winchester to the County of Rockbridge, and the persons who might have testified to his service are all either dead or too remote, and he does not know where any of his companions in the service resides. That he was draughted as a militia man in each of the three tours of duty above mentioned, and served as a private in each. That he was not in any other Battles but at York Town, and was engaged there principaly in the trenches. That he does not now recollect the names of any other Officers of Distinction except Gen'l. Washington and Gen'l Lafayette, being at the advanced age of Eighty three years, and his memory very much gone. That 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. That he made a former Declaration on the 4th day of September 1832 before John F Caruthers Esqr a Justice of the peace for said County, being then unable to attend at Court, which has been returned for want of proper form and substance.

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