# Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

### Pension application of Peter Mines S38214 Transcribed by Will Graves

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#### Virginia Augusta County, to wit,

This day Peter Mines of the County aforesaid personally appeared before me, John Brown, Judge of the Chancery District Court holden at Staunton in the County & State aforesaid, & being sworn, saith, That in the year 1777, he enlisted as a Drummer for three years in Captain Hays's Company of the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment, on Continental establishment; – That he continued in the Army until the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 1780, when he was discharged, at Fredericksburg, by Brigadier General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg], on account of a rupture, which disqualified him from further service; – That he received a regular discharge at that time, which he afterwards sent to Richmond by Major Hays (his former Captain) for the purpose of receiving some pay then due him; The said Major Hays left the discharge at some of the Offices (believed to be the Auditor's) in Richmond, as he informed this Affiant, but afterwards furnished this Affiant, at his request, with an attested copy of it, here unto annexed; – The said Major Hays has been dead for several years. – This Affiant also saith, that he never had a pension allowed him by the laws of the United States, – that he is in reduced circumstances, old & infirm, & that he stands in need of the aid of his country for support.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of office of the said court to be affixed 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818

S/ Jn. Brown

#### State of Virginia Augusta County to wit

On this 26 day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the said County, Peter Mines aged about Sixty-nine years resident in the said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: He enlisted with Captain John Hays in the County of Rockbridge in Virginia on the first day of September 1777 and was marched in company to White Marsh, and was there attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel George Mathews, that he was marched from White Marsh to Valley Forge, from thence to Morris Town [Morristown, New Jersey], to Trenton and thence to Philadelphia: that he was in the battles of Monmouth Court House [June 28, 1778] and Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781], and that at Monmouth Court House from severe labor in erecting huts for winter quarters he became badly ruptured, and he was discharged in the month of July 1780 – that he is unable to obtain a livelihood by his occupation, which is that of a [indecipherable word]<sup>1</sup> maker. He has already made a declaration

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under the Act of Congress passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818. The date of which declaration he does not now recollect, his pension certificate is dated the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 1819. He solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed. He has no family but his wife, and old and infirmed woman, and a daughter who contributes nothing towards her support.

Schedule of property

Two Cows Three hogs altogether worth \$30

S/ Peter Mines, X his mark

Sworn to and declared the 26 day of June 1820 before the said Court of Augusta County. S/ Erasmus Stribling, CAC

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 28, 1818, for service as a musician for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia] 6-page file

Peter Mines enlisted as a Soldier in the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment in the month of September 1777 that his Discharge will Discover what he is entitled to certified by me the 19<sup>th</sup> of October 1807

S/ John Hays

late Major of the Am Army

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S/ William Price, Register

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It appears by the Books in this office that a Certificate issued in the name of Peter Mines for 104 pounds 3 shillings & £.08 on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 8<sup>th</sup> 1784 for the balance of his full pay as a Soldier in the Virginia Line on Continental establishment.

## S/ J. [?] Lipscombe Chf. Clk Audr's Office 4<sup>th</sup> Feby 1808

Fredericksburg July 13<sup>th</sup> 1780

Peeter [sic] Mines a soldier formerly belonging to the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment whose term of enlistment would have expired in the first of September next having had the misfortune to get a Rupture which in the opinion of the Surgeon renders him unable to perform the Duty of a soldier he is therefore at his own Request discharged from the Service.

S/ Peter Muhlenberg, B G

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The affidavit of Major John Hays of the County of Rockford & State of Virginia taken before me James McDowell a Justice of the peace for said County at his own house in said County who being first sworn saith that he witnessed a certain writing between James Telford of the State of Kentucky & Peter Mines of said County of Rockbridge. That the purport & intent of said writing was to conveyed to James Telford aforesaid such Warrant or warrants as Peter Mines might be entitled to from his Services as a Soldier in the Virginia line. The Deponent knows that said Mines was a Cavalry soldier but is uncertain as to the term of service whether for 3 years or during the War –

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 10<sup>th</sup> of December 1807 S/ James McDowell S/ John Hays