Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Clement Hall S38790¹ Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of West Tennessee

On the Second day of April 1818, Clement Hall came before me and claimed to be placed on the pension list of the United States, that he may receive the benefits of the provisions of an Act of Congress passed in the winter of 1817 and dated the 18th of March 1818 entitled an "Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he belonged to the Army of the United States during the Revolutionary War, from the 1st of September 1775 as a first Lieutenant in the Second North Carolina Continental Regiment commanded alternately by Colonels Robert Howe, Alexander Martin, and John Patton and served first in Captain Michael Paynes Company and others and afterwards as a Captain in said Regiment from the 19th day of April 1777 to the end of the Revolutionary war as the records of the War Office kept by Mr. Peters president of the board of War will Testify, And that his Services were against the common enemy of the country, And for which Services he obtained a brevet Commission as Major at the close of the War, Signed by John Jay president of Congress in their Sitting at Annapolis in the State of Maryland And as he believes in the year 1784 of which there is probably a record now in the War Office. That he now claims this pension as needed for his support.

S/ Clem Hall, Brurt Maj.

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Sworn to & subscribed before me S/ John McNairy

On the 11th day of April 1818 personally appeared Howel Tatum² before me and deposeth and saith that he verily believes the first and second Regiments of North Carolina Continental Troops were raised in the officers commissioned on the 1st day of September 1775, that he was an officer of the first Regiment at the time it was raised and that the date of his commission was as above stated – that the second Regiment was commanded in succession by Colonels Howe, Alexander Martin and John Patton, that when he first became acquainted with Clement Hall he was Lieutenant in that Regiment that this was in March 1776 and before any

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¹ BLWt1095-300 issued August 6, 1789, no papers

² Howell Tatum R2027

other troops were raised, that he knew the said Hall from this time until the end of the War, the whole of which time he served in the capacity of Lieutenant aforesaid and Captain. – That he was a Captain before the 1st of September 1777, and continued so, to the end of the War, by which means he became entitled to a Brevet Major's Commission after the war, which has been informed (and has no doubt) he obtained. This deponent further states that the said Clement Hall now resides in the State of Tennessee in Davidson County.

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Clement Hall came before me and made oath that he has not his commission in his possession and does not know where it is, that he must have lost it or mislaid it, has not seen it for many years.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 13th of May 1818 S/ John McNairy, District Judge S/ Clem. Hall, Maj. by Brevet

District of West Tennessee

On this 7 day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a Court of record for the district of West Tennessee, I act of Congress held by the Honorable John McNairy, Clement Hall aged about 67 years resident in the County of Davidson who being duly sworn on his oath declares that he served in the revolutionary war in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Howe at the commencement of the revolution, and afterwards in the same Regiment under Colonel Alexander Martin being of the 2nd North Carolina Continental Regiment under the first Howe he was a Lieutenant; and under Martin a Captain: And the said Clement Hall doth solemnly swear that he was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 provisions 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 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him 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 and by him subscribed Viz.

A mare valued at	\$25.00
A saddle, 2 bridles, Saddle bags & valice	15.00
A walnut chest	5.00
A tract of land valued at	164.00= \$209.00

Relative to which land James Mulherrin who surveyed it 19th of July 1820 appeared in open court before said Judge that he is John McNairy, and made oath that he had examined the North part of said land and that there was scarcely any of it fit full called relation and no water. The residue he is informed by credible man is equally unfit fall culture and without water: this was told him by persons he knew and who were respectable. It is rocky with some cedar timber on it: but it situation either as to land or water carriage would render it of very little value. The neighborhood is so well stocked with the land of the same description that it would not be sellable to any of the adjoining farms nor does he suppose it could be sold in Major Hall's lifetime for 20 cents an acre: and at present scarcely at that. For his own part he would not pay

taxes for it and thinks it's a high valuation at 25 cents per acre.

The declarant further states that he was reared a Soldier and has no occupation which he can pursue: nor is he indeed able to pursue any: being often and violently afflicted with the Doubt and chronic Rheumatism and sciatica for upwards of 20 years. And that he has never married and has no family. The No. Of his pension certificate is.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court 7 August 1820

S/ R. Searcy, theClk S/ Clem. Hall

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing April 2, 1818, for service as a Captain in the North Carolina Continental line.]