Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Cole S41491 Transcribed by Will Graves fn11NC 11/24/10

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District of North Carolina: SS

On this 1st day of June 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States for the District aforesaid, personally appeared George Cole, aged sixty-nine years, resident in Wake County, in the said District, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled, "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That in the spring of 1776, he the said George Cole enlisted as a soldier under Lieutenant Benjamin Williams of the second Regiment, in the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment, in the Revolutionary war, for 2 1/2 years – that he was put under Captain Crawford of said Regiment, and continued to serve in the said Regiment, until the expiration of said enlistment; and during his said service he enlisted again under the said Benjamin Williams of said Regiment, who was then Captain, for six months more, thereby making his service three years, which he performed against the common enemy and obtained a discharge from service, at Halifax County, in the state of North Carolina; that he was in no battle, but was put in the rear of the Army while it was engaged at Monmouth – And that he is in reduced circumstances, & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid

S/H. Potter, DJUSNC

District of North Carolina

Arthur McDaniel¹ of Chatham County maketh oath that he was well acquainted with George Cole, the aforesaid Declarer, in the revolutionary war; that he frequently saw said Cole in actual service in said war, in the second Regiment, of the North Carolina line on the Continental establishment; that he served in the same line with him, & knows that he continued in said service for a term of more than two years.

Sworn to before me, the first day of June 1818

S/ H. Potter, DJUSNC

¹ Arthur McDaniel W4732

State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that it appears from the muster rolls of the North Carolina Continental Line in the Revolutionary war, that George Cole a private in Allen's company of the second Regiment was enlisted in the year 1777 for the War, and was discharged on the 30th January 1780. Given under my hand this 21st April 1819.

S/Wm Hill

Schedule

District of North Carolina: SS:

Wake County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions August Term 1822

On this 22nd day of August 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of their proceedings, with power to fine and imprison, George: aged about 73 years resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in January 1777 for three years, but was returned as a war soldier, that he served in Captain Allen's company of the second North Carolina Regiment, and was in said service about three years, and was discharged on or about the 30th January 1780 at the Town of Halifax in this State. He has drawn a pension on certificate No. 12978, That his original declaration is dated about the first of June 1818. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself 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 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed (Vizt.)

70 ½ acres of poor Piney woods land appraised at one dollar	\$70.50
2 sorry Beds with little & indifferent furniture	30.00
1 Tub, 1 pail, 1 piggin ² , 2 stone Jugs, 1 Butter pot	2.3[illegible]
1 Iron pot holding ½ gallon, 1 broken pot	.7[illegible]
1 Pewter dish, 1 Baison, flesh forks	.2[illegible]
6 saucers and 5 cups, 1 sugar dish, 1 Earthen dish, broke, 5 plates	1.5[illegible]
1 pitcher, 1 Coffee pot, 6 Pewter Teaspoons, 2 chunk bottles	1.5[illegible]
1 case bottle 2/1 Bible 1 small Dictionary, & 2 other small books	7.[illegible]
1 shoe bench & tools 2 pr. Sheep shears, 2 flat Irons	2.50
1 Claw hammer, 1 pr compasses, Iron wedges, 1 club Ax, 1 hand do , 2 Ploughs	4.00
1 Table, 2 Brine Tubs, 2 Flour Barrels, 4 old Baskets, 3 Sieves	2.25
1 pr. Hames, ³ 1 pr Traces 3 stirrups & old tools too tedious to mention	4.30
7 Case knives 6 forks, 6 old plated spoons, 1 Reep Hook	1.75
2 Setting chairs, 1 Carpenters Adze, 1 shovel	2.40
1 Clevis, Smingletree, 3 cubweathers frow	1.50
1 Mattock, 2 Augurs, 2 chisels	1.70
-	\$135.45

He has no family, lives alone, is by occupation a farmer, but from age and infirmity (having been ruptured

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² A wooden bucket or tub

³ Hames, a pair of curved metal (or sometimes wooden) pieces lying on the horse collar of a horse harness, taking the pull from the traces.

for many years) is unable on his poor land to make a support. He could once make shoes, but is now unable to work at that trade, and was never a good Shoemaker.

Sworn to and declared on the 22nd day of August 1822 before

S/ W. S. Whitaker, JP

S/ George Cole

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S/ Isaac Hudson, JP S/ J. Stephenson, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing June 1, 1818, for three years service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]