Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Reuben Evans S41524 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina County of Wake: SS

On this seventh day of April 1831, personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record, for the County of Wake, Reuben Evans, resident in said County, aged Seventy-eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820; That he the said Reuben Evans enlisted for the term of twelve months, on the 12th day of May in the year 1781, in the State of North Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain Solomon Dixon [sic, probably Tilghman Dixon] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Wynn Dixon [sic, probably Henry Dixon], in the line of the State of North Carolina, on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the 26th May 1782, when he was discharged from the service in the State of South Carolina; that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present; that his name is not on the roll of any State, except North Carolina; and that the following all the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension: -- Your applicant was capable of working and maintaining his family up to the time of making his application, and his wants and necessities did not compel him to make an earlier application he being unwilling to be a burden to his country when he was capable of labor. –

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 other wise 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 that on the 18th of March 1818 no changes have been made in my property by sale or otherwise except such as has been occasioned by the consumption of myself and family for food, and that I have not sold in trust or otherwise any of my property.

Sworn to, and declared in open Court, on the seventh day of April, before the Honorable William Norwood one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of All & Equity for the State aforesaid.

By Ransom Hinton Clerk of Wake Superior Court of Law, do hereby certify, that it

appears, to the satisfaction of the Court, that the said Reuben Evans did serve in the Revolutionary War, as stated in the preceding declaration, against the common enemy, for the term of nine months, under one engagement, on the Continental establishment. I also certify, that the foregoing oath, in the Schedule hereto annexed, are truly copied from the records of the said Court; and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said Court, that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$116.40.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, on this 18th day of May 1831.

S/R. Hinton, C. S. C.

A Schedule of the property of Reuben Evans taken the 16th day of November 1830 -- to wit 80 acres of A poor Land valued by the Court to \$35.— 1 Mare 30.— 1 Cow & Calf 7.— Pots & ovens 2.— 27.50 1 Bale of Cotton A Parcel of Fodder 6.— 10 Barrels of Corne @2\$ 20.— Sundrie articles of House furniture 8.— .90 Potterv 1 Pot & Skillet 1.25 2 Axes 1.50 3.— Plough Hoes & Flat Irons Sundry Small Household articles 1.55 A set of Pewter 2.— Barrels 1.75 1 Tub .15 .90 1 Churn & Pail 1 Lot of Hogs 10.00 \$158.50 Amount of Debt due me 4.00 \$162.50 Amount of Debts owing by me the 16th November 1830 46.10

leaving a balance of property in my possession amounting to \$116.40, on the 16th day of November 1830.

S/ Reuben Evans, X his mark

\$116.40

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Reuben Evans, a private in Captain Dixon's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the 12th day of May 1781 for the term of 12 months and left the service on the 26th May 1782.

Given under my hand this fourth day of July 1831.

S/W. Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 9, 1831, for service as a

private for 12 months in the North Carolina Continental line.]