## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Ebenezer Hewett (Hewitt) S41632 Transcribed by Will Graves f28NC rev'd 12/22/15 & 7/17/2022

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[p 8] District of North Carolina

On this third day of May 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States for the District aforesaid, personally appeared Ebenezer Hewett, aged about Sixty four years, resident in Brunswick County in the said district, who being by me first duly Sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, 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 he the said Ebenezer Hewett, enlisted in Wilmington in said district, in the year 1777, & in the month of April as well as he now recollects, in the company commanded by Captain McRee [Griffith John McRee], of the sixth Regiment in the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment, in the war of the revolution, for during the war; that he continued to serve in the Service of the United States, in different companies and regiments, of the Continental line, until the capture of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780], when & where he was taken prisoner by the British, from whom he made his escape in or about the year 1780 – that he afterwards, in the year 1781, joined a troop of horse commanded by Colonel Peter Horry in South Carolina, in the regular Army of the United States, as he understood & served in said Troop as a soldier against the common enemy for about twelve months, & was then discharged at Georgetown in South Carolina, which discharge he has lost; that he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], & in many skirmishes – and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for Support.

Sworn to & subscribed before me, the day & year first aforesaid.

S/ H. Potter, D. J. U. S. C.

Thomas Callendar, <sup>1</sup> a credible witness, maketh oath that while he was then the service of the United States in the revolutionary Army, he saw the aforesaid Ebenezer Hewitt, Serving as a soldier in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment, & knows that he served in said line a very considerable time – he thinks about three years; and certainly more than nine months in one continued service against the common enemy – and further he saith not.

S/ Thomas Callendar

Who Callender

1 Thomas Callender BLWt482-300 – Capt. no papers

Sworn to before me, at Wilmington in the District aforesaid the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1819. S/H. Potter, D. J. U. S. C.

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State of North Carolina, Brunswick County

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day April 1821 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record) for the said County Ebenezer Hewitt aged Sixty Six years ever a resident of County (except while in the Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War) who being first duly sworn agreeable to law doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War in the Sixth Regiment of North Carolina Troops under the Command of Captain McRee afterwards turned over to the first Regiment of said Troops being in Service from the year 1777 until the Siege of Charleston, when I was taken as a prisoner. Two months after made my escape & joined Col. Oree's [sic, Peter or Daniel Horry's] Troop of horse in South Carolina with whom I served twelve months for which services in Conformity to a law of the United States of the 18th March 1818 a certificate issued from the War department entitling me to a pension to commence the third of May 1819 reference being had to No. 14,695 will appear - And I do solemnly Swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 that I have not since that time by gift Sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with the intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself 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 - Nor have I or any person in trust for me any property or Securities Contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other that what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

Sworn to before me the first day of May 1821 in open Court in the Town of Smithville, N.C.

S/ John Julius Gause Cha[sic, Chairman]

#### S/ Ebenezer Hewitt, X his mark

Schedule of the Property of Ebenezer Hewitt who served as a private in the Revolutionary War I have about \$50 due me in small debts but fear will never recover them as I am much in Want & can't Collect it. \$50.00

Three hundred & ninety acres of Land Valued (being Very Poor) \$.25 per acre	\$97.50
five Head of Woods Horses (only one in use) Valued at	150.00
Twenty five head of Cattle or thereabouts Valued	120.00
About fifteen head of Hogs worth	10.00
	\$417.50

No furniture in house worth taking notice of - nor have I any person to assist me to labor, I have no family except a helpless Wife about Seventy four years of age, & myself from exposure to heat & cold during & Since the Revolutionary War I am unable to perform labor being by occupation a Farmer.

I have Received on my Certificate as a pensioner Eighty Dollars & fifty one Cents. Sworn to in open Court before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1820 in the Town of Smithville N. C. S/ John Julius Gause, Chair.

S/ Ebenezer Hewitt, X his mark

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution["] approved on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828, I Ebenezer Hewitt of the County of Brunswick in the State of North Carolina do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the

war and continued in its service until its termination; At which period I was a private in Captain Joshua Bowman's Company in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line. And I also declare that I afterwards received Certificates for the reward of \$80, to which I was entitled under the Resolve of Congress passed the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1778. And I further declare that I was not on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1836, on the pension list of the United States. Witness my hand the third of September 1828.

Witness

S/ Ebenezer Hewitt, X his mark

S/ Danl. B. Baker

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Revolutionary Claims Treasury Department, September 13, 1828

Ebenezer Hewitt of \_\_ in the County of Brunswick in the State of North Carolina has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Bowman's Company, in the First regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department, Third Auditor's Office, 18<sup>th</sup> September 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to \_\_ in the \_\_\_\_

It further appears that Ebenezer Hewitt is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—at the rate of \_\_\_ dollars per month.

The name of Ebenezer Hewitt cannot be found among those of the North Carolina line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars ever issued

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

Found N G Book [indecipherable]

War Department: Bounty land office 14 May 1829

The records of this office do not show that Ebenezer Hewitt of the North Carolina line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 3, 1819, for service as a private for 6 years in the North Carolina and South Carolina Continental line.]

# South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>2</sup> relating to Ebenezer Hewit Audited Account No. 3563B

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No. 87

INo. 622 Book C

8<sup>th</sup> March 17851

Ebenezer Hewit for 10 & 2/3s Months Duty as a Private Dragoon in Colonel Peter Horry's Regiment from September 1781 to July 1782 – at \$20 per Month is 213 2/3d Dollars at 4/8 Stg. [Sterling] £49.15.6

NB 328 days included in the time above at 240 dol<sup>rs</sup> per annum will amount to the [undeciphered word or words]

"Not Attested -["]

N.B. A Certificate granted for this Account to Lewis Dupree the 7 May last for 215: 2/3 dollars Stg £50.6.5 which certificate was to obtain an Indent from the Treasurers who have Issued one Ex<sup>d</sup>. J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

Already provided for by an Indent given S/ [undeciphered initials]

Certify

That Ten Months & twenty days pay is due to the Bearer Ebenezer Hewet [sic] as a Private Dragoon in my Regiment at \$20 mo.

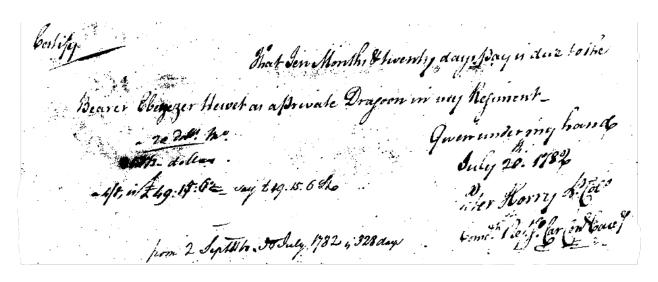
215 2/3 dollars

at 4/8 is £49.15.6 ½ say £49.15.6 Stg.

Given under my hand July 20, 1782 S/ Peter Horry, Lt. Col. Comdt. Ret. So. Car. Cont. Cavy. [Commandant Retired SC Continental Cavalry]

From to September 81 to 30 July 1782 is 328 days

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <a href="http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/">http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/</a>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.



[p 3: Printed form of Indent No. 622 Book C]

[p 4: Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement:

Thinger Heart

I Ebenezer Hewet [sic] Do hereby Assign over my Right and title of the within Indent with all the Interest thereon due or may hereafter become due to James Cochran, his Heirs, Executors Administrators or Assigns and to their Prosperity for Ever having Received full and ample Compensation for the same

Given under my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of April 1790

S/ Ebenezer Hewit