Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hinrey (Henry) S4351 fn15NC Transcribed by Will Graves 5/5/11

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State of Tennessee Wayne County

On this 7th day of November 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Wayne County Tennessee now sitting, John Henry a resident of said County & State aged about seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated, that he turned out according to his term twice for a three months tower [tour] both times in Chatham County State of North Carolina, the first time was in the month of June 1779 under Captain John Guinn Colonel William O'Neal & was discharged at the expiration of the term in Orange County in said State. The second time he also turned out in Chatham County North Carolina for three months under Captain Cage [probably William Cage] Major Goalston [probably William Goldston], Colonel Litterell [John Luttrell] & was discharged at this expiration of four months in Chatham North Carolina, the time he entered the service of the United States the second time was in February in the year 1780 & he continued in service a month over his time, that he volunteered in the month of March 1781 in Chatham County State of North Carolina for eighteen months in Captain John Elliott, Major Goalston & Colonel Reed, General Butler & continued to serve until after the taking of Cornwallis at Yorktown Virginia, when he was discharged at the Barracks in Chatham County after having served eight months of the eighteen months he volunteered for, That he was in no general engagements but was in the pursuit of the Tories day of the battle at Lindley's Mill when Colonel Luttrell was killed but his detachment was so stationed as not to be in the battle, that he served his 2 first tours in the Counties of Chatham & Orange North Carolina, the 3rd tour he marched from Chatham to South Carolina to reinforce General Green [Nathanael Greene] against Lord Rawdon & when Rawdon left Camden and marched to Charleston General green furloughed Captain Cage's Company and they assembled at the barracks in Chatham North Carolina to keep down the Tories, That he received a written discharge signed by Captain Cage & Major Goalston the time he volunteered which he has long since lost, that he did not receive a written discharge in the 3 & 4 months tours that the Revolutionary Officers that he recollects our General Green, Colonel Lytle, Colonel Shepherd & General McDowell but he cannot recollect the number of the Continental Regiments that he has no Documentary evidence & that he knows of no person by whom he can prove his services unless he can by Peter Helton of Lawrence County Tennessee whose testimony he has not been able as yet to procure.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State or territory. Sworn to and subscribed this 7th day of November 1832

S/ James C. Alderson, Clk

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Interrogatories propounded by the Court to the applicant

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. I was born in York County State of Pennsylvania in the year sixty two

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have no record of my age

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary **War** and where do you now live?

Answer. I lived in Chatham County State of North Carolina when called into service. I moved from Chatham into Orange in said State, thence to Surry in said State, thence to Franklin County State of Georgia, thence to Putnam in said State of Georgia, thence to Giles State of Tennessee, thence to Lawrence in said State of Tennessee, & thence to Wayne County in said State where I now live.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I went into service twice according to my turn on the muster roll for three months & the third time I volunteered for 18 months

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. I recollect General McDowell, General Green, Colonel Lytle & Colonel Shepperd but I cannot recollect the Regiments either Continental or militia and as to general Circumstances of my services I was principally employed in guarding against the Tories except when I went to the South & as the British left Camden immediately I was ordered back to restrain the Tories in North Carolina

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. I received a Discharge when a volunteer signed by Cage & Goalston which I have lost & I was directed to go to the Colonel & get a full discharge for the 18 months & a certificate but I never got to see the Colonel & got no certificate or pay or full Discharge

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. I can prove it by Henry Martin & Jesse Hilton & many others if they were in attendance

at court.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid
S James C Alderson, Clerk
S/ John Hinrey
[Henry Martin & Jesse Hilton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]
[Mark W Gray, a clergyman, gave a separate supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, full one-year and 3 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]