

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Hinson S7014

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State of North Carolina Anson County: April Session 1833

On this 10th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipful Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions Charles Hinson a resident of the County of Anson aforesaid aged 70 years a Soldier of the Revolution who being sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 –

I entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

I volunteered on the 22nd of June 1780 in the Militia under Captain James Farr [also spelled James Fair or Fare] in the County of Anson State of North Carolina for three months Colonel Davidson's Regiment and was in two skirmishes¹ with the Tories under Colonel Culp [Abel Kolb] of South Carolina the first at Baggetts (now Sneesboro)[Sneedsboro] the other on the same morning at Captain Duke Glenn's plantation near Pedee River in both of which we defeated them (the Tories) I served a three months & was discharged in September 1780.

I again volunteered in the County of Anson State of North Carolina in September 1780 under Captain Patrick Boggan [Patrick Bogan] Colonel Thomas Wade's Regiment and was engaged in collecting cattle and supplies for the American Army throughout the Country in the neighborhood of Camden South Carolina under the direction of Colonel Thomas Wade who was then Commissary and served 4 months and was discharged in the month of January 1781.

I again Volunteered in the County of Anson North Carolina under Captain Duke Glenn in the month of January 1781 and was marched into South Carolina and joined General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] and was in an engagement² with the enemy at the head of Scape Hore [Scape Hoar Creek, Radcliffe's Bridge, March 6, 1781] (now black River) Lord Rawdon was then in possession of Camden I was then marched back to North Carolina on Pedee River, when owing to some cowardly conduct of Captain Glenn he was tried by a Court martial and was disgraced and cashiered I was then placed under the command of Captain Stephen Tompkins and was marched to Drowning Creek and was engaged against the Tories in the Battle of Baties Bridge [Beatti's Bridge³]

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_anson_county.html

² Applicant appears to be referring to the engagement on March 6, 1781 at Radcliffe's Bridge
http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_radcliffes_bridge.html and
<http://gaz.jrshelby.com/ratcliffsbr.htm>

³ August 4, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/beattisbr.htm> and

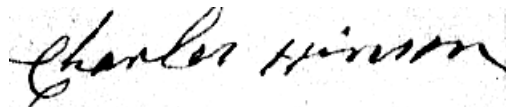
. I served 7 months and was discharged in August 1781.

I again volunteered in the County of Anson North Carolina in September 1781 under Captain Patrick Boggan and marched to Cape Fear River where we joined Colonel Smith (General Rutherford's Brigade) and was marched near Wilmington North Carolina and was in the battle with the Tories below the brick House in which we defeated them, and made an ineffectual attack on the British who was fortified in the Brick house.⁴ I have a Distinct Recollection that during this Tower [tour] that we received the news of the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis [Cornwallis] to the American Army at Little York. I was discharged in the County of Anson in December 1781 having served 4 months.

I became a Substitute for man by the name of Gordon under Captain Thomas Elebee [Thomas Ellerbee] at Cheraw South Carolina for two months sometime in February 1782 and together with Several others was put in charge of some British Prisoners in number about 100 and ordered to conduct them to Charleston South Carolina (the British yet being in possession of that place). We delivered them over just below the mouth of Watt Both [?] on Ashley River near Charleston. We were then discharged having served the term for which Substitute two months having served in all my five Terms of Service one year and eight months (in fact I am confident that I served in all two years but part of my time of Service I cannot state definitively but such was the mol[paper torn, balance of this word is missing] State of things in this Section of Country that we were constantly annoyed by our Neighbors & internal Enemy, the Tories who were much more Troublesome to us than the British much of our time of Service I have taken no account of as I was young and inattentive to that of getting written discharges. In truth my main object was to get freedom for my Country I have now no distinct Recollection of having received but one written discharge and that I have lost. I have no other documentary evidence of my Services and there are but few persons now living who served in this Section of the Country in the Revolutionary war. I know of none whose testimony I can procure to testify to my services except Walter Leak⁵ and Lott Strickland⁶ both of the County of Richmond North Carolina whose affidavits are herewith annexed and also ~~Robert Huntley~~ and Wm Ricketts, both of the County of Anson aforesaid whose affidavits is also here unto annexed –

I hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity Except the Present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State whatever.
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Charles Hinson



1st Question Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. In the centerfield district State of South Carolina on the 21st day of June 1763

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

Answer. A Record of my age were kept by Doctor Dixon & by Grandfather Philip Hinson From which I Transcribed a copy which copy is now in the possession of my Brother Bartlett Hinson of this County

http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_beattis_bridge.html

⁴ November 15, 1781 http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_brick_house.html and

<http://gaz.jrshelby.com/brickhouse.htm>

⁵ [Walter Leak S7136](#)

⁶ Sic, [Lot Stricklin S7657](#)

3rd question 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 the County of Anson North Carolina when called into service and where I continued to live all my life & where I now live.

4th question 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 was a volunteer in every Tour except the last when I was a Substitute for 2 months for a man by the name of Gordon

5th question 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 was attached to General Greens Division I served under no Regular or Continental officers my services were under the immediate command of militia officers (to wit) Colonels Love, Culp, Wade, Smith, and Sumter, and General Rutherford

6th question 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 do not recollect of having received but one written discharge which was from Colonel Ellerbee and that I have lost

7th question 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. William Johnson Esquire and the Rev'd Elijah Cason all both well acquainted with me. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written

S/ Charles Hinson

[Elijah Cason, a clergyman, and William Johnson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Personally appeared in open Court William Ricketts a man of credibility a resident of the County of Anson State of North Carolina who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement is – that he saw Charles Hinson the above named applicant engaged in the American service in the time of the revolutionary war during the spring and summer of the year 1781 under Captain Stephen Tompkins Colonel Wade's Regiment & was with him the a considerable part of the time of 4 months.

Sworn to and subscribed [line runs off the page] day of April A. D. 1833

S/ William Ricketts, X his mark

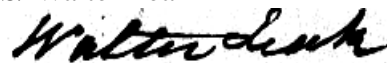
[p. 16: Walter Leak testified:

"That he was well acquainted with Charles Hinson who now resides in the County of Anson, that he frequently saw him in the American Service during the Revolutionary War before the capture of Charleston. That he believes he was a soldier at the Battle at Beaty bridge in the year ___ and also at the attack made on the British at the brick house near Charleston North Carolina under Colonel Smith about the time Corn Wallis was taken."

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 20th day of March 1833

John McAllester JP

S/ Walter Leak"



[p. 17: Lot Stricklen testified:

"That he was acquainted with Charles Hinson in the Revolutionary War, that he frequently saw him in the American Service and served with him."

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 19th day of March 1833

S/ J. McAllester, JP

S/ Lot Stricklen"

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lot Stricklen". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$66.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 20 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]