Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Hunter S7057 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County]

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 On this 8th day of June 1832 personally appeared before me James Doherty one of the Justices of the peace for the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina, Henry Hunter a resident of the above written County & State aged eighty-two years and after being 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.

I was born in Ireland in the County Derry in the year 1751. I entered the service of the United States under William Alexander Captain, George Alexander Colonel marched on to Ramsour's [Ramsour's Mills] sometime before the Battle [June 20, 1780] was at that place from that into South Carolina. This Expedition was after & to suppress the Tories. This tour I was called for three months & served until dismissed. I was discharged by Colonel George Alexander. I next was drafted for three months in this tour I served under Captain Thomas Alexander and was ordered to Charlotte was there kept stationed guarding the public Magazine. This tour I served fully out except two weeks owing to the situation of my family I hired my brother to serve the two weeks out for me & he got my discharge – I then was drafted for three months in this tour. I served under Colonel George Alexander, James White was adjutant – rendezvoused about four miles below Charlotte Mecklenburg County stayed some time was then removed into the County of Cabarrus & There until our 3 months expired – in the 3 tours before mentioned I served 9 months. I have no documentary Evidence to establish my claims having long since lost my discharges. I hereby relinquish every Claim whatever to a pension or annuity whatever except the present under the act passed June 7th 1833 [sic] and declare my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Interrogatories put – Where & in what year were you born

Ans. I was born in Ireland in the year 1751 August 11th

Q have you any record of your age. A. yes

Where did you live when called into service & where do you now live

A. I lived in the County of Mecklenburg & State of North Carolina & now live on the same place & ever did since I came from Ireland or more properly the Land of Oppression. How were you called into service

- A. I was drafted all three of the tours which I served.
- Q. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service
- A. Yes I received my discharge from Colonel George Alexander but have lost them.
- Q. In what grade did you serve, as an officer or private

Ans. I served as a private in every tour I was out Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June 1833. S/ James Doherty, JP S/ Henry Hunt

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County

This day personally appeared before me the subscribing Justice of the Peace for the County & State above written William Alexander¹ aged 84 years & John Gardner² ___ years and after being duly sworn agreeable to law doth on their oath say they are well acquainted with Henry Hunter the above named applicant who hath scribe & sworn to the above Declaration and we believe he served as he states as we saw him in camp in the Army at the time of the Revolutionary War

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 12th day of June in the year 1833

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 12th day of June in the year 1833. [Walker S Pharr, a clergyman, and John Gardner gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Facts in file: there is no reference to any family of this veteran in the file. The veteran died May 17, 1837.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 8 1/2 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

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¹ William Alexander S6496

² John Gardner S6877