Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Haney S8661 PA VA
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State of North Carolina}

Burke County

On the 22nd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the court of pleas and & quarter sessions now sitting for the county of Burke state aforesaid Charles Haney a resident of the said County and state aged 84 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declarations in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 (viz)

He states that he first entered the service of the united states as a militia man in the year 1776 about the first of June at little york in the state of Pennsylvania & marched under Capt Ben Savage [Benjamin Savage] Colo McCalister or McAlistar & Colo Kenedy [Kennedy] to Philadelphia from thence we were sent up the Delaware to Trenton in the state of New Jersey At Philadelphia I was transferred to the command of Capt'n McCasea & Lt. Corklow – from Trenton we went to Powleys Hook [sic: Paulus Hook] in New Jersey from Powleys Hook we marched to fort Lee on the North River. The British had possession of the city of New York – during this time there was two British Vesels come up the North River & landed their troops on York Island took Fort Washington with a large number of our troops This was in September 1776 [sic: 16 Nov 1776] – about ten days after this [sic: 19 -20 Nov] Gen'l. Washington evacuated Fort Lee & marched back to New Jersey & crossed into Pennsylvania. There were several sick soldiers of which I was one sent down the Delaware in a small Vessel to Philadelphia I remained there till after Trenton was taken [26 Dec 1776] after I got well enough the officers allowed me to go home I got no written discharge. I got home the last of January 1777. I then moved to the State of Virginia Prince Edward County and was drafted for six months & put under the command of Colo. [James] Lucas & Colo. Downman Capt'n Jesse Owens. We marched to Hillsborough No Carolina & there joined Gen'l. [Edward] Stevens He marched us on to Rugelies [sic: Rugeley's] Mill some distance [12 mi] north of Camden in South Carolina where we fell in with Gen'l. [Horatio] Gates That night [16 Aug 1780] about half way between the mills & Camden the British attack us & defeated our whole army. we were scatered all over the Country without any regularity or order I made my escape the best way I could & got back to Hillsborough. There were some five of the Virginia soldiers at that place we remained there a few days & then returned home to Virginia The battle was fought on the [16th] day of August 1780. I did not serve out my whole time, was about five months gone This was my last service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any state or of any state [sic]

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

State of North Carolina } May 9th 1833 Burke County }

This day personally appeared before me David Glass one of the acting Justices of the peace for said county Charles Haney and after being sworn in due form of Law deposeth & sayeth in further explanation of his declaration to obtain a pension that he entered the service of the United States on the first day of June 1776 & served as set forth in his declaration till he was discharged in Philadelphia between Christmas on 25th of December 1776 & New years day of 1777 – he got home about the last of January 1777 having served in actual service seven months it may have lacked a few days not more than three or four but he was eight months from home. He states he was next drafted in the State of Virginia

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Prince Edward County for six months his services & Officers names are set forth in his declaration – he was mustered into service the last of May or first of June (say 1st day of June) 1780 he served as stated in his declaration till Gates defeat near Camden So Carolina which was in the month of August 16th day 1780. he returned to Hillsborough North Carolina where some of the men & officers of his Regiment were we remained there some time which he cannot state precisely he got home some time in October of the same year

he considers that he was in actual service from the first of June till some time in October when he was discharged at Hillsborough which would be four months & a little over. It will be for the Department to say whether they will allow him for the four months or only two & a half which was up to the battle near Camden on the 16th August 1780. Should he be allowed the four months his whole service will amount to eleven months otherwise it will be nine months & a half

The reason why no clergyman certified to my character was that there was none that I knew of that knew me at the court house on the day I was qualified in court. I proved by Edward Good [Edward Goode] that he knew me in the service in 1776 – and my character & standing by said Good & Andrew Hunter was also proven & the court certified to their credibility & standing

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Sworn to & subscribed before me date above written

NOTE: Haney was pensioned for nine months and 11 days of service.