Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Hendrick S8706 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of the Virginia, Charlotte County to wit:

On this 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Charlotte now sitting, Daniel Hendrick resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Seventy-one 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 7, 1832.

That he served seven tours in the militia of Virginia during the Revolutionary war, that he first entered the service, he entered it as a volunteer, being then too young to be regularly enrolled, he resided at that time in the County of Amelia in the State of Virginia where he continued to reside throughout the war. He cannot recollect the dates of his entering the service or of leaving it, but he recollects that he was under the Command of Captain Paulin Anderson of Chesterfield Court house, Virginia, he was at old James Town, or near it, under the command of Colonel Booker [probably Edmund Booker], Captain William Finney—he was on James River at Means ferry and other places under the command of Colonel Henry Sf Skipwith & General Lawson [Robert Lawson] – he was at Guilford old Courthouse under General Lawson, Colonel Beverly Randolph & Captain Robert Hudson – he was at Morbin Hills [Malvern Hills] on James River under General Lawson, Colonel Henry Skipwith & William Finney Capt. – his memory has become very defective nor can he say the length of his service though he is persuaded that he served not less than one whole year, there are many Officers under whom he served whose names he cannot now recollect – he does not recollect that he ever received a discharge.

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. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Daniel Hendrick, X his mark

[James Hamlett and John Garnett gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Of the Amended Declaration of Daniel Hendrick –

State of Virginia – Charlotte County to wit:

On the 6th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court, before the County Court of Charlotte, Daniel Hendrick, a resident of the said County and State, aged Seventy-one, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following amended declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 –

That he was born in the County of Amelia, on the 18th day of November 1761, and has a Register of his Age, recorded in the old Family Bible, which is now in his possession. At the

commencement of the Revolutionary war, he was living in the County of Amelia, and continued to reside in that County until 3 or 4 years after the close of the war, when he removed to the County of Charlotte, where he has ever since resided, except a short residence (some years back) in the County of Lunenburg. He first engaged in the service of his country by enlisting as a volunteer under Captain Paulding Anderson of Amelia County, and marched to Petersburg, where he was stationed for a while, and thence marched to the neighborhood of Williamsburg. After remaining in the service, as well as he recollects at present, about four months, orders came directing the company to be discharged; there being no further necessity for their services. Accordingly, the company was paraded, and discharged by Captain Anderson. He did not receive a written discharge. The said company enlisted for the term of six or eight months but he does not recollect which, and rendered this service during the latter part of the year 1776. He has not been able to procure any evidence of this service under Captain Anderson, in consequence of old age and inability to ride any great distance. Those by whom he could prove his service, if living, formerly resided in the counties of Amelia and Chesterfield. He has no doubt, however, if the Roll of Captain Anderson's Company can be found in the War Department, that his name will appear upon it – In the year 1780, he was drafted in the militia under Captain William Finney and served a tour of three months – He was stationed at Chesterfield Court House as a guard over the Military Stores, Magazine &c and was attached to the command of Colonel Booker for a while, and then to the command of Colonel Henry Skipwith under General Lawson. In the latter part of the same year (1780) as well as he can recollect, he was drafted again in the militia under the command of Captain Robert Hudson, and was ordered to North Carolina. He was engaged in the battle at Guilford [March 15, 1781], and retreated to Ramsay's Mill, when the British again made an attack; from thence he marched to Hillsboro, and from Hillsboro to Virginia, and was discharged shortly afterwards in the year 1781 – Beverly Randolph was Colonel, and Lawson our General. He served on this occasion, 3 months, as well as his recollection serves him. During the same year (1781) and shortly after his return from North Carolina, he was again drafted in the militia under Captain William Finney, first marched to Richmond, then to Ruffin's Ferry, crossed over the River and was stationed for a while at "Johnson's old field" crossed back again at the same Ferry, then marched to New Kent Court House and then to Maubin Hills where he was principally stationed. This service was rendered about the time Cornwallis was endeavoring to sack [?]¹ Portsmouth in Virginia, but afterwards changed his course for Yorktown. He was discharged at Maubin Hills after being in the service three months, to the best of his recollection Colonel Henry Skipwith and General Lawson were commanding officers – As evidence of his service the three last mentioned tours in the militia, he refers to the affidavit of Obadiah Hendrick, herewith enclosed. He rendered other service in cases of particular emergency, when troops were called for, but not of much consequence. He thinks his whole amount of service in the Revolutionary War cannot fall short of one whole year, and therefore for the service of one year he claims a pension. He does not think he ever received a written discharge during his whole service, not thinking it matter of much consequence – As to his character for veracity, and their belief respecting his age, and the general belief in his neighborhood relative to his revolutionary services, he refers to certificates on former declaration, and the certificate of William Hamlett and others, herewith enclosed. The only reason for not having the certificate of a clergyman on former declaration was owing to the circumstance of the lateness of the evening, when his case was presented to the court in his behalf. The Clergyman who had attended court

for the purpose, supposing the case would not be attended to on that day, had left the Courthouse – He has no documentary evidence of his service, either as a volunteer, or while in the militia.

S/ Daniel Hendrick, X his mark

[Elisha Collins, a clergyman, Thomas Harp and William Hamlett gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

I Obadiah Hendrick² of the County of Prince Edward and State of Virginia do hereby certify that I was 74 years old the 27th of September last, that I was a soldier in the revolutionary war & am now drawing a pension, And that Daniel Hendrick of the County of Charlotte and State of Virginia served as a militia man in the revolutionary war, 3 tours, one at Chesterfield Court house, under General Lawson, Colonel Henry Skipwith & Captain William Finney. One at Guilford old Court House, under General Lawson, Colonel Beverly Randolph & Captain Robert Hudson & one at Maubin Hill under General Lawson, Colonel Henry Skipwith and Captain William Finney. Given under my hand this 4th day of February 1788

S/ Obadiah Hendrick

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one-year in the Virginia service.]

² Probably the same man as Obediah Hendrick S38017