Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Isaac Buck S9113

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State of North Carolina, County of Beaufort: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions May Session 1833 On this 22nd day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the Court aforesaid now sitting, Isaac Buck, a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy two 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as follows. He saith that early in the commencement of the revolutionary war, he does not recollect the year, being young & unlearned at the time, he entered the service of the United States as a private volunteer for the term of twelve months, in the County of Pitt, in the Company of Captain Cray, J Allin [sic, Allen?] Lieutenant, J. Allen Major, & Heritage Colonel; He then marched to head quarters on the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River], thence to the head of Rockey [sic, Rocky] River, then to Deep River, then down to Cross Creek, now Fayetteville, thence to Kinston, then down below the mouth of Trent River to a Fort & thence to New Bern, where he was regularly discharged, having served the time for which he entered the service. Soon after his return home he volunteered again as a private for the space of three months, under Captain William Heritage, John Heritage, Colonel marched to Wilmington where he remained till discharged at the end of said term of three months. He was after that drafted for a term of three months, into the company of Captain William Buck, marched to New Bern & Cross Creek & at the end of his term being all of the time a private was discharged. He further states that he had certificates of his several discharges, but that they were destroyed when his home was burnt some years ago. He knows of no person who can testify to any portion of his military services as stated except Giles Nelson of the County of Pitt, whose affidavit he has produced – not having been able to prevail on him to come to court, in consequence of his extreme old age & infirmity.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State – That he was born in the County of Pitt May 1760.

Sworn to & subscribed, the day & year aforesaid.

Sworn to in open Court.

S/ Isaac Buck, X his mark

S/Wm Ellison, Clk.

Interrogatories to Isaac Book propounded by the Court at their Session November 1832 in open Court 1st: When and in what year were you born? I was born in Pitt County 22 May 1760 2nd Have you any record of you age and if so, where is it? There was a record of my age in my father's

Bible, but it was destroyed when my house was burned.

3rd Where were you living when called into service? Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live? I now live in the County of Beaufort – during the whole of the revolutionary war I lived in Pitt [County] & I have always lived in Pitt & Beaufort, except one year in Craven

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer, or were you a substitute and if so for whom did you substitute? In my first term of service which was for one year I volunteered – the next term of three months, I volunteered – the last tour of three months, I was drafted 5th State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. The particulars of my service are set forth in Giles Nelson's affidavit. In my first service, Cray was Captain John Allen, Major Hermitage Colonel. My second, William Hermitage was Captain – John Hermitage, Colonel. In my third, William Buck was Captain

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service; and if so by whom was it given; and what has become of it? I regularly received discharges from my captains I already named, but they burnt up with my house.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify to your character for veracity and good behavior and your services as a Soldier of the Revolution. Emanuel Taylor has long known me – has for a great many years lived in my neighborhood -- & I [illegible words] will give me a good character & that the neighbors have always considered me as having been a revolutionary soldier. There are no other of my neighbors here present.

Subscribed & sworn to in open Court November 22, 1832.

Witness:

S/Wm Ellison, Clk

S/ Isaac Buck, X his mark

[Emanuel Taylor gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Pitt County

Giles Nelson¹ a Revolutionary Soldier was brought before me Jordan Nelson one of the Justices of the peace in and for the said County aforesaid by Isaac Buck to take his deposition to prove that he served in the Revolution War

Deposes & saith as follows –

Isaac Buck served with me in the State Regiment as enlisted Soldier for 12 months under Captain Cray, Shadrach Allen Lieutenant, John Allen Major & Colonel Haritage [sic, Herritage] and joined headquarters at the Yadkin [River] then to the head of Rocky River then marched to Deep River thence down to Cross Creek town now Fayetteville thence down to Kinstown then down below the mouth of the Trent River at a fort, thence to New Bern Craven County and was Regularly Discharged. Taken & subscribed the 29th day of October 1832

Attest S/ Jordan Nelson, JP

S/ Giles Nelson, X his mark

[there is a letter dated January 5, 1852 sent from Washington NC to the Commissioner of Pensions from F. B. Satterthwaite inquiring as to the status of the application of Mrs. Nicey Buck, the widow of Isaac Buck. There is no such application in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for 18 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

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¹ Giles Nelson S7263