Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Isaac Hawk S9571

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Virginia State } SS Pocahontas County }

On this third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pocahontas County now sitting, Isaac Hawk a resident of the County of Pocahontas aforesaid and State of Virginia aforesaid aged 74 years the 13th day of August last 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated; that he entered the service as a volunteer under Captain Moses Hutton, Lieutenant West Ward [sic: Sylvester Ward], and Ensign Andrew Heith [sic: Andrew Heth], on the 1st day of March 1777 The name of the Colonel and the Regiment is not now recollected, That at the time he entered the service he resided in the County of Hampshire and State of Virginia that he volunteered for six months and served out the full term, That he started from Cape Capon [probably Cacapon River] in the County of Hampshire aforesaid and crossed the South branch of the Potomac, Patterson Creek, and the North branch, then through the Alleghany, to the Yough Glades thence across the Laurel Hill, to the Monongahela River, and thence to Fort Pitt, and from thence to Wheeling, where he was stationed by the Command of General [Edward] Hand and remained six months. That he was in no engagement with the Indians, but was shot at by them, without receiving any wound, but that two of his fellow soldiers, towit Jacob Knave and Jacob Crow were killed by the Indians within a verry few paces of him, That he was discharged about the first day of September 1777, but received no written discharge from the commanding officer.

That on the 8th day of October 1782 he entered the service of his Country, as an Ensign in Captain George Bells Company, under Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Nevell's [sic: Joseph Nevill's] Reg't. of Militia and served one month, at the expiration of which Term he was discharged by Colol Nevell – as will appear by a discharge herewith filed, as also his commission, which is dated 10th of August 1781. That at the time he entered the service as an Ensign he resided in the County of Hampshire in the State of Virginia from which place he marched to the head of the Monongahela River, for the purpose of Guarding the commissioners appointed to run the line between the States of Virginia and Pensylvania [sic: Pennsylvania], but that he was not in any engagement. That from thence after receiving his discharge, he returned to the County of Hampshire where he resided until about the year 1794 when he removed to the County of Bath – now Pocahontas where he resided ever since, That he was born in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia — That the only record he has of his age is his Fathers bible in which it is recorded

That he knows of no person now living who can testify to his service, that he has no other documentary evidence.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim 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 and year aforesaid [signed] Isaac Hawk

The Commonwealth of VIRGINIA

To Isaac Hawk Gentleman greeting.

KNOW you that from the special trust and confidence which is reposed in your fidelity, courage, activity, and good conduct, our GOVERNOR, with the advice of the Council of State, and on the recommendation of the worshipful court of the county of Hampshire doth appoint you the said Isaac Hawk Ensign in the militia of the said county of Hampshire. IN testimony whereof, our said Governor, at Richmond this 10th day of August 1781

Registered in the WAR OFFICE.

Benj Harrison

Isaac Hawk having been Detained from going out with the Company as an Ensign By Reason of Sickness from the County of Hampshire I have thought proper to Discharge him from following them any farther Given under my hand on Dunka[page torn] Creek [probably Dunkard Creek in present Monongalia County WV near the PA line] Nov'r. 10th 1782 Jos. Nevill Ct. Lieu. [County Lieutenant] Hampshire

The State of Ohio Gallia County SS

Personally appeared before me John Cating a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid John and Philip Switzer [S4912] of said County of Gallia, to me well known, and after being duly Sworn, doth depose and say that they were known to Isaac Hawk, turning out as a volunteer (then of Hamshire County and State of Virginia) in the Spring of 1777 and that he actually went into Service, and continued absent till cold weather on the fall of the same year and that they have heard other men say that they were in the service at the same time with the said Isaac Hawk and that it has always been understood by them and the neighbourhood generally that the said Isaac Hawk was in the Service of the United States as a Soldier, and that the said Isaac Hawk was twenty two or three years old at the time he went into Service, that they the deponants were well acquainted with him the said Isaac Hawk at the time of turning out as aforesaid being raised boys together in the same part of the County. And from information from the said Isaac Hawk and others they the deponants believe the said Isaac Hawk was stationed at Wheeling during some part of the time he was in the service. And [further?] they say not

Philip hisXmark Switzer John hisXmark Switzer Sworn and subscribed to before me this 11th day of September 1833

[The following report is by District Attorney Washington G. Singleton who investigated many pensioners from present West Virginia. For details see the pension application of David W. Sleet (S6111). Singleton wrote "Entitled" on the report.] Isaac Hawk, Serv'd. 6 mo. he received \$60—

I the undersigned Isaac Hawk, at the request of W. G. Singleton give the following Statement of my age and services as a soldier in the war of the Revolution, to Wit I was born in Winchester in Virginia in august 1759 and lived in Hampshire County during the War of the Revo. In the Spring of 1777 I volunteered for six months and went from Hampshire county to Fort. there joined Gen. Hands army. — he ordered our company to Wheeling. we were stationed at the Fort at that place and remained in actual service more than six months before we were discharged there was but the one company marched from Hampshire at the time I went. My Captain name was Moses Hutton. Sylvester Ward was Lieut. and Andrew Hath Ensign. I proved my services by Jacob Hawk, Philip Switser & John Switser. McCord my Declaration and retained all my money except \$15. — In witness of all which I hereto subscribe my name Feby Isaac Hawk

A Copy. W. G. Singleton Feby 15, 1835