Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Augustine Payne W10850
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Virginia } SS

County of Fauquier } On this 31st day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court before the justices of the peace of Fauquier County now setting Augustine Payne a resident of the county of Fauquier and State of Virginia aged 70 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 7th 1832. I entered the service of the United States under the command of Captain John O'Bannon in November 1780 and served until the last of May 1781 we were marched to Williamsburg in Virginia, and after staying there some time, our company was ordered to the City of Richmond there we came under the command of General Lafayette – at that place and moved as he directed until our discharge in the spring following, whilst at Williamsburg. I received a wound in the foot by which it was broken. I however continued with the company and returned with it in May 1781 I was drafted again in the fall of 1781 but being examined I was pronounced unfit for service on account of the injury of my foot. Ouestion, when and where were you born?

Ans. I was born in 1762 [see note below] in the County of Fauquier and state of Virginia.

Q. Have you any record of your age?

Ans. I have

Q. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since that time and where do you now live?

Ans. In the County of Fauquier and State of Virginia.

Q. How were you called into service?

Ans I was drafted

Q. Did you ever receive a discharge?

Ans. I did not receive one; we all marched home together and our officers with us. I do hereby relinquish every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and do declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state whatever. Augustine Payne

[George Monroe, pension application S46060, certified that he had served with Payne from Nov 1780 till May 1781.]

NOTES:

On 10 Jun 1836 Payne applied to have his pension transferred to Indiana, having moved to Parke County for the following reason: "His children mostly reside in Indiana at present and he is desirous of living with or near them, and furthermore by leaving that country [in Virginia] & settling in Indiana it has enabled him to procure more land for his children."

On 19 Dec 1844 Catherine (Katy) Payne, age given as 74, applied for a pension stating that she married Augustine Payne in Culpeper County VA in early Jan 1787, and he died 16 Mar 1844 at home in Raccoon Township in Parke County IN. Her application was supported by her children, Delila Payne, 48, and Joseph Payne, 30, and also by James Payne, Sr., 55, a distant relative of Augustine Payne, who had lived within 3 mi of him before moving to Parke County. All deposed that they had often seen Augustine Payne with a small "Presbyterian hymn & prayer book" containing a family record. James Payne, Sr. stated that the family record was written by James Wood, a school teacher from Fauquier County. The book was submitted as evidence in support of Catherine Payne's application, and an abstract of the family record is in the file and transcribed below. Delilah Payne and James Payne, Sr. stated that Augustine and Catherine Payne had 12 children, but only 11 are in the abstract.

Department of the Interior, Pension Office. Washington, D.C. ____18__ Augustine Payne was born the 11th day of Dec 1761. Caty Payne, Wife of Augustine Payne was born the 12th day of July A.D. 1769. John Payne was born Feb 14, 1790.

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Lewis
                            May 7, 1792.
                            Dec. 4, 1794.
Sally F
Delilah
                            Apl. 16, 1796
James
                            July 9, 1799.
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Harrison
                            Oct. 23, 1703 [sic].
                             " 9, 1701 [sic].
Benjamin
William
                            Jan'y 20 1806.
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Willis
                               " 31, 1808
Lucinda
                            Aug. 3, 1809
Joseph
                            Sep 18 1814.
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True copy as found in prayer book W. D. Evans Clk B. L. Dir Aug 14, 1877.