

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Hawk W362

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State of Tennessee Sullivan County

September Term 1832

On this 26th day of September 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Edward Scott Judge of the circuit court of Law & Equity for said County, Jacob Hawk resident of the County of Sullivan & State of Tennessee aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following decleration 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. towit, he states that some time in the spring of one of the years between 1775 & 1778 the year not recollected his father waggon was pressed in Frederick County Maryland & declairant volunteered to drive said waggon & Team it being pressed by the Government of the United States & was marched from Frederickstown to Little York [PA] from there to Lancaster. was employed with said waggon in halling provisions & arms & ammuniton for the Army of the United States & continued in said service for the Term of one month & half when he was discharged or dismissed and returned to Frederick County Marylan. he states that he does not now recolect the names of any of the officers, on his employment [page torn] such as afforded an oportunity of an acquaintance with the officers. he states that there was a Waggon master under whom he was placed but his name he cannot now recollect. Shortly after this declairant returned from said service he with his fathers family moved to Augusta County Virginia where in the fall of the year 1779 or 1780 in September in one of said years he was drafted in said County & enrolled Colonel Mathes [sic: Sampson Mathews]. Leuten Colonol Boyers [sic: William Bowyer]. Cap'n Camron [sic: Cameron, possibly Charles Cameron]. & rendezvoused at the South River in Augusta County Va. was then marched to Fredericksburgh. thence to cabbin point [sic: Cabin Point on James River in Surry County]. thence to Smithfield. thence to portsmouth or near said place the British [under Gen. Benedict Arnold, Jan 1781] having possession of said place. he states that the Rockinham [sic: Rockingham] & Rockbridge Troops also lay near said place. He states that General Mullinburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] was his General dureing his campain. he with the Regiment to which he belonged lay near the dismal swamp dureing the whole of said winter. Sometime dureing said winter there was a slight Battle with the British who had taken winter quarters in pourtsmouth in which there were some men killed and wounded on both sides. he states that frequently dureing said [page torn] he with his Regement frequently had to march through the said swamp, which was said to be one mile in width & often in the night in consequence of which this declairant has been a cripple in both legs from that time up to the presant & is scarcely able to get about at all. he states that he was verbally discharged some time between the middle of April & the first of May and received a certificate for the [page torn] certificate as well as now recollected. he after wards let go to pay Taxes. he states that he was discharged as aforesaid near portsmouth after having served at least seven months. That in all in the War of the Revolution he served Eight months & a half. That he has no documentary evidan of his service & he knows of no person whose Testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. he also states there is no resadent minister of the Gospel in his neighbourhood who can testify to his service That his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or anuity

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Jacob hisXmark Hawk

NOTES:

The pension act of 1832 did not provide for those hired temporarily as teamsters, so the first service claimed by Hawk was not allowed.

On 25 Dec 1843 Margarete Hawk, 68, applied for a pension stating that she married Jacob Hawk on 9 Oct 1792, and he died 8 Sep 1840. On 20 Nov 1855 Peggy Hawk, 80, applied for bounty land stating that as Peggy Myers she married Jacob Hawk in Augusta County on 9 Oct

1793. The file includes a copy of a bond signed in Augusta County on 8 Oct 1792 by Jacob Hawk and Michael Garber for the marriage of Hawk to Peggy Myers, daughter of Stophel Myers of Augusta County. Also in the file is a register of children born to Jacob and Margaret Hawk written in German and now scarcely legible. A typed translation in the file reads as follows:

On August 27 (?), my son, Johan Hag, was born.

On March 15, 1795, my daughter, Magtalena Hag was born.

On January 14 my daughter, Sara (?), was born 1798.

On Jan 7 1857, Andrew Hawk, administrator of Margaret (Peggy) Hawk, stated that she died on 1 July 1856.