

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

PAYROLLS OF THE MILITIA COMPANY OF CAPT. DANIEL CARLIN, HENRY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN 1779 AND 1781

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[The two rolls were submitted as part of an unsuccessful petition by Daniel Carlin (VAS1764) to receive pay for the services of his company. Each of the two payrolls consists of a single sheet folded as if for mailing, with the pay roll on the inside and the certificate by the County Lieutenant on the outside. Parts of each sheet are missing at the places marked [*]. The heading of each payroll, the list of names, the certification by the Justice of the Peace, and the certificate by the County Lieutenant are in four different handwritings. Brackets enclose alternative spellings and pension applications transcribed at revwarapps.org]

A Pay Roll for a Company of Militia; Under the Command of Capt. Daniel Carlin
Ordered into Actual Service from the County of Henry; On the 25th Day of July 1779 and Discharged the Tenth Day of September in the same Year —

Danal Carlin Capt	
Thomas Carlin Lieut	Solamon Holder [Solomon Holder]
William Hawkes Ensign	Luis Holder [Louis Holder]
John Hawkes – Sergon	John Holder
Isham Webb – Sergon	James Armstrong
Thomas Wray	William Hamanns [William Hammonds]
Thomas Hill	Robert Headspetch [Robert Hedspeth]
Philip Holt	John Christon
Thomas Hairdwick [Thomas Hardwick]	William Letcher
James Hoalestead [James Holstead]	Richard Owins [Richard Owens]
James Steward [James Stewart]	Ely Scurry
William Steward [William Stewart]	
ISHam Royalty	Reubin Hairrison [Reuben Harrison]
John Royalty	Hugh Rogon
Richard Richards	John Grymes [John Grimes]
John Mcgown Junior [John McGowan]	William Roland
Edward Steward [Edward Stewart]	Cornelius Barrel [Cornelius Burwell]
John Steward [John Stewart]	Moses indecutt [Moses Endicott]
Gilbart Turney [Gilbert Tearney W9850]	
John Jones	
William Sanders	
Hamp Steward [Hamp Stewart]	
George Ewins [George Ewing]	
Benjamon Johnston [Benjamin Johnson]	
Henry County}	
This Day Came Capt Danal Carlin Befour Me Wilm Mitchell JP For the Said County & Made Oath that he was ordered on Duty By the County Liutenen in 79 For the south on July 25th & Ser[*]d Him Self & the aBove Officers & Soldiers til Septem[*]	
Certifeyed under My Hand July 27th 1786/ William Mitchel[*]	

Henry County Sc

I do hereby Cerefie that I order'd Capt. Dan'l. Carlin to March ~~acquire~~ a Company of Milita, of Volunteers against the Tories & British in the State of North Carolina.

Given under my hand, this 27th Day of Augt. 1786.

[signed] Will Tunstall Co. Lt.

Pay Roll for a Company of Militia; Under the Command of Capt. Daniel C[*] ordered into Actual Service from the County of Henry; On the Tenth Day of [*] 1781. And Discharged the Tenth of March 1781. —

Daniel Carlin Capt	James Hairreng[*]
Thomas Carlin Lieut	Peter Renfroe [Peter Renfro]
James Armstrong Ensign	Benjamon Bens[*] [Benjamin Benson?]
John Hawkes Sergon	Thomas Hill
William Hawkes Sergon	William Griffin
Randolph Smith	Mumford Smith
Thomas Headspetch [Thomas Hedspeth]	John Jones
Robart Headspetch	Hamp Stewart
John Christon	John Allin [John Allen]
John Hammons [John Hammonds]	James James
Robart Metcalf [Robert Metcalf]	Philip Arm[*] [Philip Armstrong]
Mairtain Doyl [Martin Doyle]	Charles Booth
John Evins [John Evans]	Wm Stratton [William Stratton]
Thomas [*]ay [Thomas Wray]	William Hammon[*]
Zadock Evins [Zadock Evans]	David Roark
John Evins [John Evans]	ELijah Roark
James Holstead	Henry Biggs
John Royalty	Elisha Shearmon [Elisha Sherman]
Solaman Holder	Jenkin Hanceford
John Byrd	Samuel Cannon
William Mitchell	
Henry County}	

This Day Came Came Capt Danel Carlin Be fore Me Wilm Mitchell Justis of the Pece for the Said County & made Oath that he was ordered on Duty in 81, in Februry 10th & Served him Self & the AB[*]e Offisers & Soldiers Til March 10th 81. Certifeyed Un[*]er

My Hand July 27th 1786 Willim [*]hell

[*]ry County Ss.

I Certifie that I ordered Capt Daniel Carlin [*]arch with a Company of Volunteers to the assistance of [*]l Green whilst in North Carolina Abrahm Penn Cty. Lt.
Augt^h 27th 1786

Aud^{rs} Office 29 Oct^r 1791

The Auditor can't say these Rolls head not been settled nor assert that they have, as there is no Check in his possession— The ~~The~~ Old books Now [undeciphered word] being removed to the Seat of Congress [several undeciphered words] it may be known by applying to Commr Davis [three words lined through] and the [two or three undeciphered words] will procure a Certificate from him [two or three undeciphered words] the next Session of Assembly [several undeciphered words]

[Written from bottom to top of the page in a different hand]
the Dessated[?] c/o Hugh Annstson[?] 20th
one 30th September 1783

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Daniel Carlin Pay Roll

the Law is repealed for issuing militia certificates. says J. P.

NOTES:

1. Many of the soldiers appear to have been from the western part of Henry County that became Patrick County in 1791. According to the pension application of Hall Hudson R5331, Carlin's company during the 1779 tour served as Rangers along the border between present Patrick County VA and Wilkes and Surry counties of NC. This area, known as "The Hollow," was notorious for Tory attacks on citizens. The phrase "For the soth" struck out in the certificate of the Justice of the Peace perhaps refers to their being sent south of Henry County.

2. According to J. T. McAllister, *Virginia Militia in the Revolutionary War*, Carlin was sworn as a Captain in the Henry County Militia on 20 Apr 1778.
3. Thomas Hill was commissioned Ensign in June 1781 according to McAllister.
4. William Letcher, often called Col. or Capt. Letcher, was about 30 years old when he was murdered by Tories on 2 Aug 1780 in his own home near Ararat in present Patrick County.
5. William Tunstal resigned as Lt. Col. of the Henry County Militia in Mar 1780, according to McAllister.
6. "Green" referred to in the certificate of Abram Penn was Gen. Nathanael Greene, who at the time of the 1781 tour by Carlin's company was being pursued by Cornwallis through North Carolina. Carlin's troops were discharged just five days before the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. At that time Col. Abram Penn commanded the Henry County Militia
7. In the final notation "J. P." refers to John Pendleton, Auditor of Public Accounts, who pointed out that a law had been enacted in 1788 barring further payment for militia services. See Hening's Statutes at Large <http://vagenweb.org/hening/vol12-24.htm>: An act to repeal so much of every act of assembly as authorises the auditor of public accounts to issue certificates for militia service performed during the late war. Passed the 7th of January, 1788.