

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Elisha Cahill R1582

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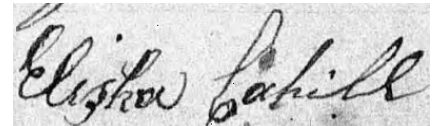
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State of Tennessee }  
Fentress County }

On this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July AD 1834, personally appeared before me, Robert H. Richardson a Justice of the peace in and for the county of Fentress State of Tennessee Elisha Cahill Resident of said County aged Seventy Two years the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January Last; agreeable To his record now in his possession he being born the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1762, he was born in the State of Maryland in Washington County [formed in 1776 from Frederick County] 7 miles from Hagerstown lived there untill Eighteen years of age who after being Duly Sworn for that purpose on his oath makes the following Declaration in order To obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832.

He states that he was Drafted in the neighborhood that he was born and raised in the nineteenth year of his age, he served a Tour of six months under Captain William Lewis and marched To South Carolina he march'd off from home some time in the fall of the year 1780 the precise Time not Recollected and marched on to various places South Carolina and serv'd under General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] and was in the Battle at the Cowpens [7 Jan 1781] und General Green, and was finally marched back To Maryland and was Discharged had a witten discharge from his capt having servd the full Term of six months he cannot Recollect the precise month or day of Begining and quit service, in a few weeks thereafter he was again Entered the service a Volunteer to serve a Tour of six months under Capt Walden march'd on and Ragnged through North and South Carolina and Georgia mostly against the Tories and was under General Morgan [sic: see endnote] he was finally march'd back Toward home and was Discharged verbally in Virginia he believes it was in Bartley [sic: Berkeley] County. it was near Harpers ferry – he cannot indentify the precise month or day of Begining and Ending said Tour he has lost his discharge a great may years ago, and he knows of no Documentary Evidence To prove his service and he knows of no certain person by whom he can prove his service that there would be a chance of geting the Evidence of. he states there is no clergyman in his neighborhood, but he has no Doubt but he can prove a good character as a man of common Truth by his intimate acquaintance generally he will name William Smith and John Smith. and he believes all his acquaintance believe and understand him To be a Revolutionary soldier he lived in Maryland after the war untill about the year 1791 and then Emigrated to the western country and Rambled as a kind of sojourning Traveller through Kentucky and and Tennessee finally settled down in Pulaski County Kentucky where he has Long lived and thence to where he now is

He here by Relinquishes Every claim To a Pension or annuity Except the present and Declares his name is not on the Pension Roll fo the agency of any state.



NOTES:

Gen. Daniel Morgan left the service shortly after the Battle of Cowpens.  
The reason given for rejection of Cahill's claim was "Not six months' service."