

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Hedger R21644

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State of Kentucky Montgomery County Sct.

On this 2nd day of December 1843 personally appeared Stephen Hedger a resident citizen of the County of Montgomery aforesaid aged about one hundred years who being first duly sworn before me 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 Captain James Parsons and David Real Sergeant and served as herein stated. That he volunteered in the month of March or April 1777 in Hampshire County Virginia, he was marched from thence by way of Lynches Mills to Fort Pitt at the junction of the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers in the State of Pennsylvania, and that he remained at Fort Pitt a short time and was marched from thence to Wheeling where he was stationed to guard and protect the inhabitants of the frontier against the incursions of the Indians and the attacks of the British until the month of December or January following and then was marched back to Hampshire County State of Virginia and received his discharge from Captain James Parsons but has long since lost it. He states that while he was at Fort Pitt the Indians made an attack and massacred nearly the whole company of Captain Forman while on their March to the Fort. That while he was stationed at Wheeling a company of Regulars embarked for the mouth of the Ohio River (the names of the officers he does not recollect from loss of memory)

He states that he was born in the year 1742 or 1743. That he has no record of his age. That he lived in Hampshire County Virginia, that since the Revolutionary War he has lived in Virginia, Tennessee & Kentucky and now lives in Montgomery County Kentucky. He states that he was a volunteer. That he has fully set forth the names of his officers as well as general circumstances connected with his service as accurately as he can. That he lives in a remote part of the County and did not know until very recently of any person by whom he could prove his services, that he is very old and extremely poor.

S/ Stephen Hedger, X his mark

[R. Y. Welch and Matthew Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The said Stephen Hedger hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity whatever except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

S/ Stephen Hedger, X his mark

State of Kentucky Montgomery County Sct.

George Yocum¹ a credible Witness aged eighty years old on the 3rd day of December next a resident of said County of Montgomery & known to me this day came personally before the undersigned a Justice of the peace for said County and made oath that Stephen Hedger of the County of Montgomery in said State was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Said Hedger resided in the County of Hampshire and State of Virginia and went into the war under Captain James Parsons and that David Real a subaltern officer he believes was out at the same time. Deponent knows that said Stephen Hedger was called into service in March or April 1777 and returned home in December or January following, and that after they returned home they were commanded by their officers to retain their arms and to perform the office of minute men. He was called first to march to Pittsburgh at the junction of the Monongahela & Allegheny rivers in Pennsylvania and was there detained for some time and was ordered from there to Wheeling where he was stationed and remained until his return home. This deponent has a personal knowledge of the services above stated.

S/ George Yeocum

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George Yeocum". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted.

¹ [George Yocom R11941](#)