

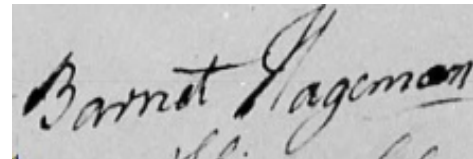
Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Barnet Hagerman (Hagerman) R4426
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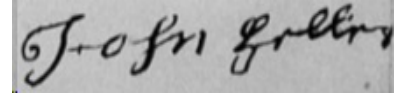
On the 18th day of March AD 1833 personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of common pleas of Wayne County Ohio Barnet Hagerman a resident of plain township in the County of Wayne and State of Ohio aged seventy seven who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1776 or 1777 as near as he can now recolect with Col [Richard] Butler and served in the Second Regiment of the Pennsylvania line on the Continental Establishment under the following named officers Col Butler commanded the Regiment and Captain Davis commanded the Company that he enlisted for the Term of three years and served to the expiration of the Term of his enlistment That he resided at the time of his enlistment in the County of Bucks in the State of Pennsylvania. That after He Joined his Regiment He was stationed at a place called The Trapp about thirty miles from the City of Philadelphia where he was in a skirmish with the Brittish troops. He was from thence marched with his company to Newport in the State of Deleware wher he remained for four or five weeks and from thence he was marched to the State of South Carolina That whilst this deponant was stationed at the Horse Plains in South Carolina He was ordered on a scouting party against the enemy and was surrounded by a party of British light Horse and in the affray this deponant received a blow from the sword of one of the enemy across his head which felled him to the ground and in the attempt to ward of the blow he nearly lost the fore finger of his left hand which was almost cut off. After this deponant had recovered from the effects of the blow, He found that the enemy had left the ground and were persuing the americans in various directions. He then made for a small thicket where he remained concealed, for some time, when one of the British Horseman returned near wher he lay He shot the Horsman and succeeding in getting possession of the Horse and equipage and brought them safe to camp, when he gave them up to the american commander. He was then marched back to the state of Pennsylvania after an absence of about two years. This deponant then joined the main army and was in the battle of the Brandewine [sic: Brandywine, 11 Sep 1777] from daylight untill dark, and was wounded in the foot by a msket [musket] shot. The next night after The battle the Troops fell back upon the high lands and built large fires and shortly after the fires were kindled they left the ground and were marched to Wilmington and from thence to German Town where they were again engaged with the Enemy in the battle of German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] When This deponants term of three years service having expired He was discharged from the Continental Service This deponant believes that his discharge was signed by George Washington. He retained his discharge untill about three years sence when his chest in which he kept his papers were broken open and his discharge taken away or distroyed I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an anuity except the present and declair that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.



September the 25th AD 1833

Personly appeared before me Elzey Wilson A justice of the peace in and for Wayne County Ohio John Heller [S8702] and deposeth and sayeth that he enlisted into the american army in March seventeen hundred and seventy six in Northampton County pennsylvania and he further states that Barnet Hagerman of Bucks County pennsylvania about the same time enlisted into the U. S. Service and shortly after he

states that he saw the said Barnet Hageman at philladel adoin duty as a soldier in the second Ragement of the pennsylvania line where he continued for a short time till the ragement drew there nescessary equipments and then he thinks the proceded to ward new york and this deponent further states that he saw the said Barnet hageman on the 11th of Sept in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six [sic] about twelve or one oclock on said day in the battle of brandawine further this deponet states not [signed in German]

A rectangular image showing a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "John Gallen".

NOTES:

Hageman's declaration is at best confused in its chronology. Pennsylvania troops did not serve in South Carolina until after the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown on 19 Oct 1781.

Hageman's claim was rejected for the following reason: "Three years' service alleged in the Pennsylvania line, for which there is no proof in the records of this office."

The file contains a letter dated 11 Jan 1836 [day and year not clear] quoting Edith Ewers of Bucks County as saying that "her father Barnet Hagerman" had received a certificate for a pension but never drew a pension, and that he had died about four years previously. The file also contains a note from William Hageman of Reedsburgh OH dated June 1846 stating that he had hired an agent to pursue the claim for a pension in behalf of Barnet Hageman's children.