

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nicholas Houk (Hauck, Houcke, Hook) R5257 Sarah fn73SC
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[fn p. 7]

State of Kentucky Rockcastle County & Circuit Ct.

On this __day of September 1833 personally appeared before the Honorable Joseph Eve, Judge of the 15th Judicial Circuit of Kentucky in the County aforesaid Nicholas Houk a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged ninety-four years in November next, who being first 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 7th, 1832. That he was drafted in the Army of the United States in the year (now forgotten) in Polks County State of North Carolina for six months in the company commanded by Captain (now forgotten) and he has forgotten all his company's officers' names this. He likewise has forgotten the field officers' names, But he was marched to South Carolina where he was discharged after serving out faithfully his term of service. This was before Charlestown was taken by the British. At this and before the peace or shortly after with Great Britain he was drafted in Polk County North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Neil in the militia of the State of North Carolina and in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Warford, and was marched to the Cherokee Nation, and after burning their Towns and after faithfully serving out his term of six months he was discharged in Burke County. The discharges he has long since lost & he knows of no person now living by whom he can prove his services aforesaid. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any state. He further declares that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot give dates more than he has done or the names of his officers more than herein named, but he knows he faithfully served the periods mentioned by him as aforesaid in the militia of North Carolina, in the Army of the United States & in both engagements as a private on his own account. Sworn & subscribed to this day & year aforesaid

S/ Nicholas Houk, X his mark

1. Where were you born, Answer in Pennsylvania in Bucks County.
2. Have you any record of your age. Answer no – he was born in 1740 –
3. Where were you living when called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute, And if a substitute for whom. Answer. I was drafted on my own account and served as such. When drafted both times & when he entered the service he lived in Polk County North Carolina. Since the Revolutionary War he has resided in Kentucky and now lives in Rockcastle County Kentucky.
5. To the names of officers he has stated all he remembers.
6. As to his discharge he [fn p. 4] has explained, which he has long since lost or mislaid. [James Dyhouse, a clergyman, and James Terrill gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 14: On November 1, 1843 in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Mrs. Sally Hauk, upwards of 92, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Nicholas Hauk, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$20 per annum; that she married her husband about the year 1772; that she had been married about 4 or 5 years and had 2 children before the revolutionary war commenced and her husband entered the service.]

[fn p. 33: On November 1, 1843 in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Frederick Hauk, 67 in October 1843, gave testimony that he is the 2nd child of his parents Nicholas and Sally Hauk; that his father died August 6, 1841 and at the time of his death was in receipt of a pension for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$20 per annum

Frederick Hauk]

[fn p. 11: On November 1, 1843, in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Mrs. Catherine Roberts, aged upwards of 46, gave an affidavit in which she stated she is the 8th child of her parents Nicholas & Sally Hauk; that she, affiant, was 46 years of age on March 2, 1843; that her oldest sister is named Polly Adams and is about 68 years of age; that her father Nicholas died August 6, 1841; that her father was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$20 per annum for his service in a revolution; that her mother continues as the widow of her father.

Catherine Roberts]

[fn p. 57: Of September 11, 1845 in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Richison Roberts [Richardson Roberts?], near 60, gave testimony that Nicholas Houke , a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$20 per annum for his service in the revolution departed this life 4 years last past the 6th day of last month – his wife Sally departed this life in Rockcastle County the 1st day of April 1845; Sally had 8 children 6 of whom are now living, 2 of whom long since departed this life; the surviving children are namely Frederick Houke, Polly, who married to Cooney Adams, deceased, Betsy married to Joseph Husbands, Sally married to William Roberts, Caty married to Richison Roberts (the present affiant).

Richardson Roberts

[fn p. 19: on September 26, 1853 in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Joseph Houck executed a power of attorney in which he states he is one of the heirs at law of Nicholas and Sally Houck

Joseph Hauk]

[fn p. 20: On October 25, 1852, in Rockcastle County Kentucky, Frederick Hauk, 76, gave testimony that he is the son of Sarah Hauk the widow of Nicholas Hauk; that he was born in

Lincoln County North Carolina in March of the year 1777; that his parents were born "some considerable time" before he was born; that he has a certificate of his marriage and a tax receipt from Burke County North Carolina dated in the year 1800. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]