

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Banes (Bane, Bains, Baynes) R644 Susannah f35NC
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State of Tennessee, Sumner County

On this 14th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Sumner John Bains, a resident of the County & State aforesaid, aged 72 years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he resided in Mecklenburg [County], Virginia very near the North Carolina line. That about the time he became liable to do duty which was early in 1780 or late in 1779 that he [was] hired as a substitute in the place of William Parker of Granville County, North Carolina who had been drafted for the Term of three months; that he served out this Term under Captain Peter Bennett, & was engaged principally in fishing for the Army in Roanoke River Virginia – immediately after this Term of service expired Applicant substituted in the place of Joseph Stovall for the Term of three months, who had been drafted from Granville County, North Carolina and was attached to Captain Bennett's Company, during which time Applicant marched with said Company, which was attached to the 4th Regiment of North Carolina line – Commanded by Colonels Moore [Lt. Col. Stephen Moore] & Ramsay [possibly Col. Ambrose Ramsey], & Major Nawl [John Nall]-- to Camden in South Carolina and was in the Battle at that place [Gates Defeat or the Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] the after which Applicant was regularly discharged by Captain Bennett in Granville County. So soon as Applicant substituted for three months in the place of James Nott who had been drafted in Granville, & was attached to Captain Merritt's [Stephen Merritt's] Company, which company Applicant believes was attached to the 7th [could be 9th or 4th] Regiment of the North Carolina line – commanded by Colonel William Moore & Major Elijah Moore, during this Term of service the above Regiment was continued in the State of North Carolina passing from one place to another, but was not in an engagement at the expiration of the time Applicant was regularly discharged by Captain Bennett in Granville County immediately after which he substituted for three months in the place of A. B. Mayfield, who had been drafted in Granville, & was attached to Captain's ___ company, whose name is not now recollected, & was attached to a North Carolina Regiment, No. not recollected, Commanded by Colonel Farmer [possibly Thomas Farmer] of Hillsboro, during this Term remained in North Carolina marching from point to point in search of Tories & British. At the expiration of which term Applicant was regularly discharged in Granville so soon as Applicant was discharged he took the place of Hugh Snelton [? or Hugh Snellon] for three months, who had been drafted and was attached to Captain Harris' Company, the No. of the Regiment not recollected, but was commanded by Colonel Joseph Taylor of Granville marched on towards Wilmington but before we reached there the Regiment received orders to return & done so & Applicant was discharged. After this Applicant went to Hillsborough where lay the State Troops of North Carolina there he substituted in the place of John Spencer of Bertie [could be Bute] County North Carolina, who belonged to the Cavalry, to serve out his Term of service which was upwards of six months, his Company was commanded by Captain George Ferrigot [sic, Captain George Farragut] – the Regiment was commanded by Major

Bennett Crafton [also spelled Crofton], during which time we were engaged after Tories in different parts of North Carolina; after about three months Major Crafton returned home, then Major Joseph Lewis who died near Nashville, took the command – during this Term which continued until the close of the War, we apprehended a great many Tories, some of which we hung – we hung three to wit, Edwards, Glass & Henderson [?]¹ to one Pole at Conner Dowd's on Deep River we also hung Kidwell who was called Fanning's Dragoon – Applicant was regularly discharged at Hillsboro by Governor Martin. Applicant has lost all of his discharges he served in all of the above Tours between 21 & 24 months – He cannot make any other proof of his service as he believes in consequence of the deaths or a want of knowledge of the residences of the persons who were know owing to his performing the service – except the evidence which is hereto attached. Applicant has no Documentary evidence by which he can establish his claim. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed, the day & year aforesaid.

Sworn to in open Ct. August 14th, 1832.

S/ John Bane, X his mark

S/ A. H. Douglass, Clerk

[William Morriss and James Hunt gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Illinois, County of Perry

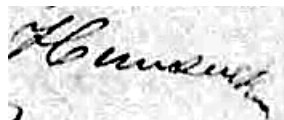
On this third day of January 1840 before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for the said County of Perry personally appeared John Banes who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Companies commanded by Captain Peter Bennett, __ Harris & George Farragut in the Regiments commanded by Colonel __ Moore, Col. __ Ramsey & by Major Bennett Crafton & Major Joel Lewis in the service of the United States; and that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Tennessee from whence he has lately removed, that he now resides in the State of Illinois where he intends to remain and wishes his pension to be there payable in future. The following are his reasons for removing from the State of Tennessee to the State of Illinois viz.: The only child he has living resides in Perry County State of Illinois, and through the cohabitations of herself and husband and a desire to spend the short remnant of his life in the neighborhood of said child in order that he might enjoy her company and receive her assistance in case of need were his only reasons for moving from Tennessee to Illinois.

Sworn & subscribed to before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ H. B. Jones, Probate JP

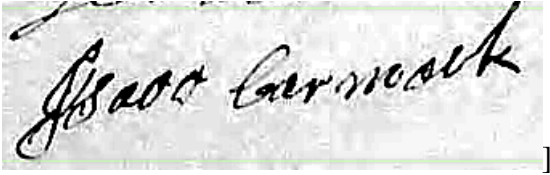
S/ John Banes, X his mark

[p 14: On July 4, 1844, Isaac Carmack, made application in Perry County, Illinois on behalf of the daughter of John and Susannah Baynes (or Banes) for the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress of July 7th, 1838; Carmack states that he is the son-in-law of John and Susannah Banes; that he believes John and Susannah were married about 1782; that he, Carmack, first became acquainted with John and Susannah about 26 years previously; that John Banes was a US pensioner for services in the revolution; that John died September 2, 1840 survived by Susannah his widow who died on April 23, 1842, or thereabouts, leaving only one child living, Sarah Carmack; that John and Susannah only



¹ Hunsulken? Hershel Parker suggests that the person named might be Conrad Hunsucker of Cumberland County. If the victim's name is in fact "Hunsucker" then another candidate might be Ensign William Hunsucker of Capt. Stephen Walker's Randolph County NC Tory militia.

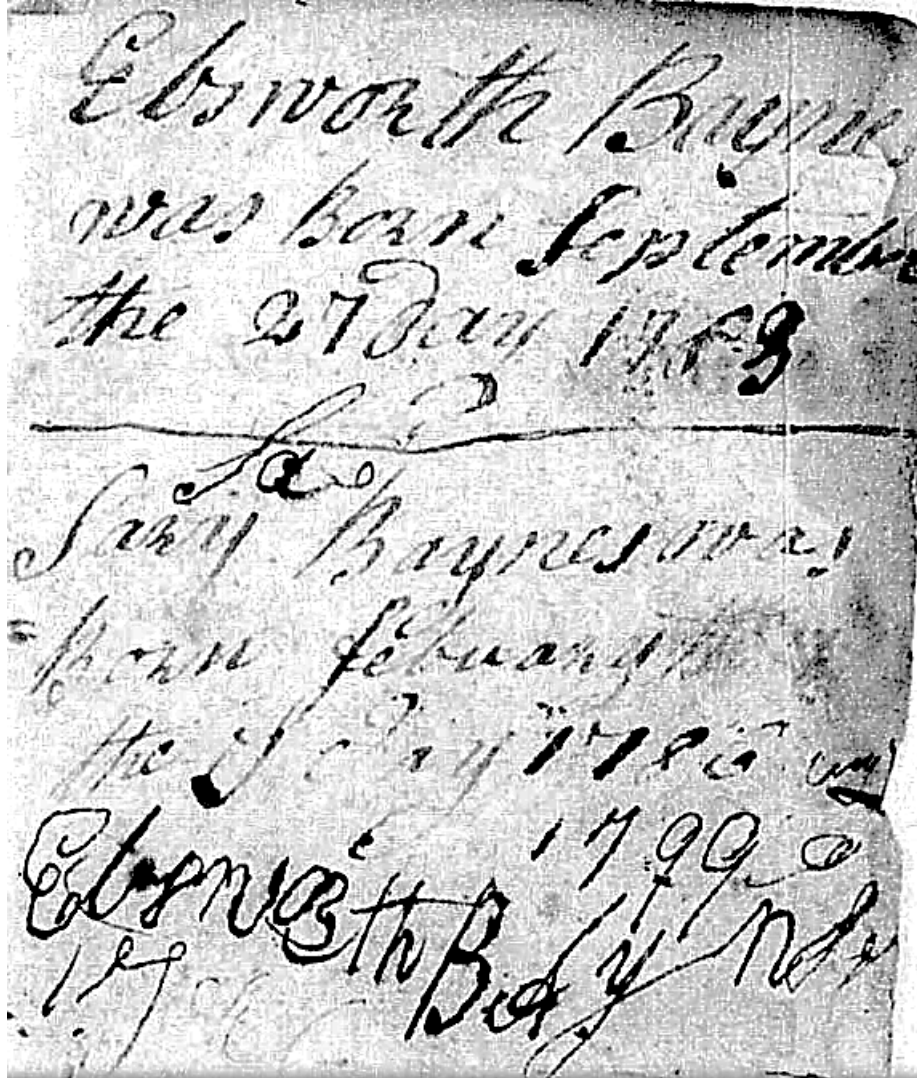
had two children, a son Elsworth born 1783 and Sarah, born 1786.



Isaac Carmack

[p 15: On July fourth, 1844 in Perry County Illinois, Sarah Carmack gave testimony that she is the daughter and only living child of John and Susannah Baynes [sic]; that her parents were married in Mecklenburg County Virginia in 1782; that she was born February seventh, 1786 and that she had one brother born 27th September 1783 agreeable to a register kept by her father in his hand writing. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 18: family register, allegedly in the handwriting of the veteran:



Elsworth Baynes
was born September
the 27th Day 1783

Sarah Baynes was
born February
the 7th Day 1786

Elsworth Baynes
1799

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 21 months in the North Carolina militia.]