

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Way S16568
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State of Indiana, Ripley County

On this 24 day of August A.D. 1832 Personally appeared before the Judges of the Ripley Circuit Court now in session Isaac Way a resident of Johnson Township in the County of Ripley, and State of Indiana aged seventy years, who being first duly sworn according 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 7, 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1780 with Benjamin Martin a recruiting Sergeant, and served in the 16th Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers (to wit) General Morgan, Colonel Howard, Major Brooks, Captain Francis Triplett and Lieutenant John Derrian [?, could be Derian or Duncan], that he served one term of Enlistment or one year under the above named officers. That he resided at the time of his enlistment in the town of [illegible name of town, looks like "Frontroyal"] in the County of Fauquier and State of Virginia: that he was in the Battle of the Cowpens in South Carolina. That he marched from Fauquier Courthouse to Fredericksburg in Virginia from thence to Hillsboro in North Carolina from thence to Charlotte in South Carolina [sic, North Carolina], there he rendezvoused and joined General Morgan's Regiment, that he marched from Charlotte to the Cowpens where he was engaged in the Battle and was severely wounded on the side, back, arms, head and in the face by the cut of the sword of a British dragon. That he remained near the field of Battle for near two months, that he then returned back to Fauquier County in Virginia and immediately started to join General Morgan's Army then lying in Little York, that he proceeded on his march as far as Fauquier Courthouse, where he fell in with the Colonel Elias Edmonds, when he asked Colonel Edmonds if he could not go down to Little York with his Regiment, that the Colonel came up to him and removed the bandage then around his head and face, and told him that he was too disabled to serve as a Soldier, that there are already too many such man in the service, and offered him a discharge. That Colonel Edmonds actually gave him a discharge, and that the same was destroyed by fire together with some other papers about twenty years since in the house of one James Way. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Isaac Way, X his mark

S/ David P. Shook, Clk.

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The following is the amendment to the Declaration made by Isaac Way at the August Term of the Ripley Circuit Court 1832 for a pension: which amendment was made in open Court before the Honorable Henry B. Hukill [?] probate Judge of the Ripley probate Court that the February Term thereof 1833.

The said Isaac Way has no documentary Evidence, and he knows of but two persons living who can testify to his services. The affidavits of which, he has taken under the instructions of the war department and made part of this amendment (see Affidavits).

The above Amendment was sworn to in open Court the 11th day of February 1833.

Attest: S/ David P. Shook, Clerk

[Meshach Hyatt and David P. Shook gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The following are the Answers to the Questions prescribed by the War Department which were propounded to the said Isaac Away in open Courthouse

Answer to Question 1st I was born in Shenandoah County Virginia on the 17th day of March 1763.

Answer to 2nd Question – I have no record of my age I only speak from what my Father told me.

Answer to Question 3rd I was residing in Fauquier County Virginia. I left Virginia about 20 years since, when I removed to Dearborn County in this State (then a Territory) where I resided until by removed to Ripley County where I now reside. Answer to 4th Question I was enlisted. Answered to Question 5th I can state the names of General Morgan, Colonel Howard, Major Brooks and Captain Francis Triplett. I also can state the names of Captain Tate, Captain Gilmore & Captain Bohannon who were militia officers. Answer to Question 6th I received a written discharge from Colonel Elias Edmonds – the discharge was consumed by a fire as stated within. Answer to Question 7th Enquire of Captain H. Shook, David P. Shook, Doctor Connett, Jacob Lodwich etc. etc., all who know me.

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State of Indiana, Dearborn County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of Dearborn George Cheek of Lawful age who being duly sworn according to law Deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with one Isaac Way during the Revolutionary War, that said Isaac Way entered the service of the United States sometime in the year of 1780 and served in the 16th Regiment of Virginia line in Captain Francis Triplett's company: that said Isaac Way he left the service of the United States in the year 1782. That he has no doubt but that said Way did receive a regular discharge from the said service from Colonel Edmonds. That said Isaac Way was in the Battle of the Cowpens and there was dreadfully wounded by a British Dragoon, and that it is the same identical Isaac Way who is an applicant for a pension under the Law of 1832, and further this deponent saith not.

S/ George Cheek, C his mark

Sworn to and subscribed the first day of January A.D. 1833. S/ Thomas Palmer, JP

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State of Indiana, Dearborn County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the peace in and for the said County of Dearborn Ralph Weathers of Lawful age who being first duly sworn according to Law deposeth and saith that he was well acquainted with Isaac Way before and during the Revolutionary war, that this deponent saw the said Isaac Way enlist at Frontroyal Virginia with one Benjamin Martin a recruiting Sergeant, that said Isaac Way enlisted for a Term of one year and served in the 16th Regiment in Captain Francis Triplett's company in the Virginia Line. That to the best of this deponent's knowledge said Way he enlisted in the month of ___ in the Spring of 1780 – and served for one year, and left the service in the spring of 1781 following. That said Isaac Way was in the Battle of the Cowpens and there most dreadfully wounded by a British Dragoon. That he frequently saw the said Isaac Way before his wound was cured. That he never saw the discharge of said Way himself but universal report at the time said that said Isaac Way was regularly discharged from the service by Col. Elias Edmonds, and that said discharge has been consumed by fire since that time as this deponent has been informed.

That it is the same identical Isaac Way who is now an applicant for a pension this deponent was about 30 years of age at the time said Way enlisted as aforesaid. And further this deponent saith not.
S/ Ralph Weathers, X his mark

[Note: I could not find applications for pension from the Federal government for either Ralph Weathers or George Cheek.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, full one-year service as a private in the Virginia service.]