

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Casper Hinkle (Hinkel) S16875

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State of Missouri County of Perry

On this 29th day of November 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable John D Cook Judge of the fourth Judicial Circuit in said State now sitting Casper Hinkle a resident of Perry County in the State of Missouri aged seventy-one 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 act of Congress passed 7th of June 1833 [sic, 1832] –

That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in a company commanded by Captain John Lopp in the County of Rowan, in the State of North Carolina about the 10th of September 1780, and about three weeks after the defeat of General Gates, near Camden South Carolina & that he continued in the United States service as a volunteer under the command of Captain John Lopp three months from the said 10th of September to the same time in December 1780. That at the time to it in September 1780 when this affiant volunteered under Captain John Lopp the Tories had raised on Yadkin River and this affiant was marched off with said company to the Shallow Ford of Yadkin River about thirty miles from the house of Captain John Lopp, where said company assembled and marched from Rowan County in North Carolina, that after said company arrived at the Shallow Ford on Yadkin River, owing to the high waters in said River said company under command of Captain Lopp was unable to cross and was marched back about ten miles to the Moravian town where they received a reinforcement of about four or five hundred wigs [Whigs], that the day after the said Company being joined by said reinforcement news came that the Tories were defeated by some troops under the Command of Colonel Cleaveland [Benjamin Cleaveland] the said company of Captain Lopp was marched down the Yadkin River to Rowan County from thence down the Yadkin thirty or forty miles in pursuit of another body of Tories and with a view of repelling the predatory warfare of the Tories who were at that time very bad, said Company continued in service for three months until about the 10th of December 1780 in said company was marched back to Lopp's Rowan County North Carolina, and were discharged the affiant received a written discharge, but has lost it after

returning at home about six days, to wit, until about the 16th of December 1780, he the said 16th of December 1780, again volunteered under the said Captain James Lopp [sic] and continued in active service for the space of three months until about the 15th of March 1781 and remained on the Yadkin in Rowan Randolph County & counties in North Carolina for that space, except when called to guard prisoners to the Virginia line as herein after stated, that the service in which said company was engaged was active constant by marching, to repel the predatory exertions of the Tories and that during said service at the house of one John Pleslier [?] in Rowan County, North Carolina part of said company together with this affiant came upon a body of Tories of about twenty-five in number and captured ten [?word written over and unclear], a short time previous to the battle of Guilford the said company under Captain John Lopp was detached, to assist in guarding about five hundred prisoners who were taken at the battle of the Cowpens to the Virginia line that after having guarded said prisoners to the Virginia line in the company of said Captain Lopp was marched back to Lopp's in Rowan County and there discharged – that he then received no written discharge and that he served three months on second tour from December 1780 to March 1781. That this affiant having arrived at home after his second discharge found his father, Captain Charles Hinkel [Charles Hinkle] under serious apprehension from the Tories, and that same night this affiant together with his father went to the camp of General Green [Nathanael Greene] who was then encamped at one Sperguiss [?], a Colonel of the Tories, that after arriving at said camp they were placed under guard and the next morning this affiant having stated that he was acquainted with two of the Tories who had plundered and [word written over and illegible] the house of Edward Burke a few days before, was detained and [indecipherable word], that accordingly acting as a guide he conducted about forty Americans dressed in British uniform to a house in Rowan County, where the Tories & British about twenty in number were captured and this affiant then returned home about two months after his discharge to wit about the 15th day of May 1781 inquiry having been made for a young man to ride expresses between Salisbury & Guilford in North Carolina by Captain Gamlett or Campbell then acting Commissary at Salisbury in North Carolina this affiant was recommended and volunteered about the said 15th day of May 1781 to ride express under the orders of said Commissary Quarter Master and continued in active duty in that service until the 15th day of November a period of six months, that after performing similar services under a Quarter Master or Commissary who supplied the place of Captain Cambold or Campbell this affiant received a written discharge which he has lost, and returned home. That on the first tour he was engaged three months on this second three months and in the third six months. That during that last six months, his business was to ride express from Salisbury to Guilford and from Guilford to Salisbury a distance of fifty miles. This affiant from the nature of his Service and loss of memory does not remember the General officers except General Green, he has no documentary testimony, by which he can prove his Services and that he knows of no person whom he can procure to testify to his services. I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Q. Where and in what year were you born

A. I was born in the City of Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania in the year 1762.

Q. Have you any record of your age if so where is it.

A. I have no record of my age, it was put down in the family Bible but I do not know at this time where said Bible is.

Q. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live.

A. I lived in the County of Rowan in the State of North Carolina when called into service, and resided in Rowan County in said State, until the year 1814 when I wrote moved to Shelby County Kentucky where I continued to reside until the year 1823 when I moved to the County of Perry in the State of Missouri, where I have remained, to this period, and now reside in said Perry County.

Q. how were you called into service, were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute for whom.

A. I volunteered

Q. State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and militia regiments as you recollect and the general circumstances of your services

A. I do not recollect any of the General Officers except General Greene and do not recollect any of the Regiment, my general service was three months a first tour under Captain John Lopp in which I was confined to checking the Tories in Rowan County. A second tour under Captain John Lopp of three months confined to service in Randolph & Rowan counties North Carolina and was employed six months in the year 1781 as stated in my declaration, in writing express between Salisbury & Guilford & Guilford & Salisbury North Carolina –

Q. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it.

A. I received two discharges one signed by Captain John Lopp & the other by Captain Gambel or Campbell but our now both lost –

Q. State the names of Persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify as to your character for veracity and good behavior your services as a Soldier of the revolution –

A. Anson McLain & Isaac Hinkel

S/ Casper Hinkel, X his mark

Sworn and subscribed in open Court this 29th day of November A.D. 1833

S/ Frederick C Hase, Clerk

[John W Quick, a clergyman, and Anson McLain of Cape Girardeau County Missouri gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[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.]