

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Hall S1829

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State of Tennessee Knox County: SS

On this the 13th day of August 1832 Personally appeared in open Court before me Samuel Powell one of the Circuit Judges of law and Equity in and for said State of Tennessee and for the first Judicial Circuit in the Circuit Court now sitting Thomas Hall a resident of the County and State aforesaid in the said County of Knox and State of Tennessee aged seventy-four 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 June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He resided in Orange County North Carolina sometime in March 1780 he was drafted in said Orange County under Captain Richard Christmas & Lieutenant Christmas in Colonel Tinnins [Hugh Tinnon, Tinnian, Tinnin and various other spelling] Regiment of Militia marched to Charleston South Carolina and was in the whole siege of that place he thinks the first battle was fought on the 30th of March he was taken prisoner on the 12th of May by the British was kept in town as a prisoner till the 19th of May was then paroled and remained a prisoner of war until the latter end of October 1781 and was then exchanged he recollects that he was a prisoner at the time of the battle of Guilford and the time Cornwallis was taken he considers that he was in the actual service and a prisoner of war for 20 months . General Lincoln commanded at the battle of Charleston. His parole accompanies this declaration and bears date May 19th 1780 signed by Major Stuart witness James Hamilton.

He has no documentary evidence except his parole and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his actual service. 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 to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid Sworn to and open court 13th Apl [sic August] 1832

Test S/ Wm Swan, Clk

S/ Thomas Hall, X his mark

[Samuel Love, a clergyman, and Andrew C Coupland gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Knox County: SS: On this 11th day of January 1833 Personally appeared before me Zac Booth one of the acting Justices of the Court of Pleas in Quarter Sessions in and for the said County came Thomas Hall who after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his declaration which was made in the County & State aforesaid and bears date August 13th 1832 and was numbered in the War Department No. 3938 and sent back for amendment

That he was born in Prince Edward County Virginia on the first day of March 1758

That he has a record of his age at home in his Bible

That he was living in Orange County North Carolina when called into service and continued to live there till the year 1799 at which time he removed to Knox County Tennessee and has lived there ever since and still lives there

That he was drafted; he never was a volunteer nor a substitute

That he does not recollect the names of the regular officers who were with the troops where he served as the Continental or militia regiments or the general circumstances of service further than he has stated in his declaration to which this is an amendment

That he never did receive a written discharge nor a commission

That he is known in his present neighborhood to John Lindsey, Andrew Copeland, Samuel Love, Robert Houston, Stephen Bishop &c all of whom he believes would testify that he is a man of veracity and that they believe he served as a soldier in the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me

S/ Zac Booth, Justice

S/ Thomas Hall, X his mark

[fn p. 13: James Hair gave testimony that the veteran gave him his parole to include with his original declaration; that he, Hair, forgot to enclose it but sent it by mail the next day to the War Department. This is the only explanation in the file as to the whereabouts of the parole since it is not among the documents in the file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 20 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]