

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaiah Hancock S30449

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State of Kentucky Muhlenberg County: SS

On this 24th day of September 1832 before the honorable the County Court of Muhlenberg County it being a Court of record now sitting Isaiah Hancock a resident of Muhlenberg County and State of Kentucky aged 72 the 12th of August last 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 of June the 7th 1832 that he entered the Militia Service of the United States as a private in 1778 and as well as he now recollects as a Volunteer under the following named officers (to wit) Capt. John Cook under Col. __ Dobyns [Lt. Col. Alexander Dobbins] the rest of the officers not recollected & served as hereinafter stated, that on the __ day of January or first of February 1778 he then residing in Guilford County State of North Carolina volunteered under Capt. John Cook Lieut. & Ensign not recollected for a Tour of three months that he was marched from Guilford County to Salisbury from that to Camden from thence to head quarters on the Savannah River at a place called the Black Swamp he was in no battle or skirmish served out his time and was discharged at the Black Swamp he returned home & in the year 1780 volunteered in a light horse company & found his on horse & equipage under Capt. Jacob Williams for three months he was marched to Salisbury from thence to Waxhaw Creek he there joined Generals Greene [Nathanael Greene] & Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & was placed under Morgan he was then marched to __ Ford as a guard part of the company only went upon this service we were then marched to __ upon the Catawba River for the purpose of strengthening the American guard at that place he was marched from thence to Charlotte in North Carolina & from that place to Broad River near the Cowpens ahead of General Morgan's Army to collect provisions for the Army who followed us he was discharged near Broad River having served out his time from that time until the close of the war he was called out for short Tours as patrols to keep the Tories in check that he served out his time & received discharges but he has lost them he does not recollect any of the other officers except those named he being constantly out upon the scout & actively employed he was in no battle or skirmish knows of no person in the state by whom he can prove the actual service he has no documentary Evidence of his service having mislaid or lost his discharges that he moved from Rockingham County North Carolina to Muhlenberg County Kentucky in December 1831.

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 & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Isaiah Hancock, X his mark

[Isaac Bard, a clergyman, and Young Lovelace gave the standard supporting affidavit.]
[James Martin, a neighbor of Isaac Hancock in Muhlenberg County, gave a supporting affidavit as to the character and reputation of the veteran as a soldier of the Revolution.]

[p 13: John Loveless, 65, also gave a supporting affidavit as to the character and reputation of the veteran as a soldier of the Revolution

Commonwealth of Kentucky Muhlenberg County to wit

Be it remembered that on this 15th day of May 1833 before the undersigned came Isaiah Hancock & made the following addition & amendment to his declaration for a pension under the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 he states explicitly that on his first expedition under Capt. Cook he served three months and in the second Tour under Capt. Williams he served three months And on the different patrols that he performed he cannot state the time with that precision that he could wish although it was the most difficult & arduous duty that he performed during the War having to traveled night and day so often & numerous were they.

He states that he was born in Halifax County Virginia in the year 1760.

He lost the record of his age during the War the Bible containing his age was lost then although I now have it recorded in my own house.

He states he is now acquainted with James Weir postmaster of Granville Kentucky the Rev. Ezias W. Earle, Col. William Campbell, Dr. R. D. McLean, John Campbell and Charles F. Wing & who lives in his neighborhood & who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

S/ Isaiah Hancock, X his mark

[Charles F. Wing, clerk of the County Court, and John Campbell Esquire gave a supporting affidavit.]

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