

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Hagins S30459

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State of Kentucky Perry County

On the 20th of April 1831 before the Honorable Joseph Eve Circuit Judge of the Perry Circuit Court it being a Court of Record made so by act of Assembly William Hagins a Citizen of Perry aged sixty-five the 25th of June next in open Court upon his Corporal oath filed the following petition & schedule to obtain the benefit of the several acts of Congress passed for the benefit of the officers and Soldiers engaged in the Revolutionary War in the land & naval Service on Continental establishment. That he the said Hagins about one month before the Surrender of Lord Corn Wallace [Cornwallis] surrendered at York Town in Virginia he enlisted for the term of ten months in Rowan County North Carolina under Captain John Johnston in the Regiment commanded by Captain Francis Locke in the line of the State of North Carolina on Continental establishment this enlistment was to serve out the term of an enlistment of John Ellis in said Regiment that before he was placed in active service shortly after Wallace surrendered peace was made & he was discharged at Salisbury NC by Captain Johnston aforesaid.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that the following is all the property or securities now due him or possessed by him

Two horses worth	\$50
2 Cows & Calves worth	10
Hogs worth	<u>15</u>
	\$75

On the 18th of March 1818 he owned property not exceeding the value of the above but in addition he owned fifty acres of land which he sold for \$200 in Commonwealths paper then

worth only \$100 and Silver he refers to the deed here attached.

S/ William Hagins

His family consist of himself and 3 children namely Daniel 21 years old, David 19, Sally 17 all able to support themselves he is by occupation a farmer unable to support himself by work and his children remained with him more out of Charity than anything else but from their age he cannot flatter himself that they will long remain with him the Reason why he has not sooner made this application is that he has been until a year or two past able to support himself by work and that he had been informed that his Case was not embraced by the several acts of Congress.

S/ William Hagins

State of Kentucky Perry County: Sct.

On this 16th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Perry Circuit Court now sitting William Hagins, by some called Higgins, a resident of Perry County & State aforesaid aged seventy-three 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 7 1832.

That he entered the service as volunteer in the militia of his own Act of the United States in Rowan Ann County [sic], where he then lived in the year 1780 or '81 which he does not remember, for three months in Captain Richard Dowel Company Lieutenant Grimes, Ensign Joseph Silons [?] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Malmoday [Malmedy] (a Frenchman) in the line of the State of North Carolina in militia. From the place of his entering the service he marched to fydays ferry [sic, Friday's ferry, Friday's Fort?] Congaree River South Carolina thence to Colonel Thompson [William Thomson], thence to the Eatwa Springs [Eutaw Springs] where he was in the Battle, thence he marched with the prisoners above Salisbury North Carolina until his term expired when he was honorably discharged in Rowan County by Captain Gorden [Gordon?] but about seven weeks after the Battle of the Eutaw Springs on this trip he saw General Green [Nathanael Greene], Colonel Washington of the regular Army in the [year] 1780 he volunteered (before the above tour) in Rowan County North Carolina the place of his residence he volunteered for three months under Capt. Umphres [Humphries or Humphreys?], Lieutenant Harper, but after Captain Hulett [Hewlett?], in Colonel Philips Regiment on the line of the State of North Carolina. On this trip he marched from Rowan and down to Sallasberry [Salisbury] then about twelve miles on Bell's branch and served out his tour of three months in guarding the prisoners taken at Kings Mountain where he was honorably discharged in 1780 as he now believes by Captain Hulett.

In the year 1781 after the foregoing tours he enlisted in Rowan County North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain John Johnston for nine months the Regiment commanded by Colonel Matthew Lock [Matthew Locke], in the line of the State of North Carolina on Continental establishment under General Rutherford. He continued to serve out his term of enlistment when he was honorably discharged at Salisbury in 81 by Captain Johnston aforesaid on this trip he only remembers as regular officers Colonel Locke and General Rutherford.

He was born in Pennsylvania Lancaster County. Has no record of his age. At each time he entered the service on his own account he lived in Rowan County. Since that he has lived in South Carolina, then to Georgia then to Kentucky in this County. As to the manner of entering the service he has explained and his officers & regular officers he has explained as far as he knows at this time. His discharge was long since burned up in his house. He never received any commission. He refers to General Combs, Colby Haddox and Andrew Wilson for his character.

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, nor has it ever been. Sworn & subscribed this day & year aforesaid.

S/ Wm Hagins

Achilles Craft¹ of Perry County aged 74 years says upon oath in open Court that he knows of his own knowledge that the aforesaid W. Hagins was at the Eutaw battle as by him described. He was in the same Regiment with him in Colonel Malmedy's Regiment, who was a Continental Officer.

S/ A. Craft

[Andrew Wilson, 52, Colby Haddox, 54, and Stephen Caudill gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 18: On October 24, 1833 in Perry County Kentucky, Daniel Brown, Thomas Kelley and Hiram Stamper, citizens of Perry County, gave testimony that William Hagins departed this life in Perry County Kentucky September 8th, 1833.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 15 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ [Archillis Craft S30357](#)