

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Hains (Haynes, Haines) S38791

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State of Tennessee Washington County: July Sessions 1819

Be it remembered that on this 19th day of July 1819 personally appeared in open Court the subscriber George Haynes aged sixty-two years and being desirous of a failing himself of the provision of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons who were engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War – and after being duly sworn according to law made and subscribed the following declaration to wit, that he the said George Haynes sometime in the revolutionary war at what precise time he cannot now recollect, enlisted into the Continental service, in the County of Frederick State of Virginia in the first Regiment of Cavalry of the Virginia line for three years, under Captain Fentleroy [Griffin Fauntleroy] of Major Bellfield's [probably John Belfield's] command – that he after his enlistment was taken to Charleston South Carolina and at the Battle of Guilford his Captain (namely Fentleroy) was killed at which time he was put under Captain Gunn [probably James Gunn] of the first Regiment in which he was enlisted that Captain Gunn after he had for some time been absent from the Army was superseded by Captain Henry Bayer [probably Henry Bowyer] by whom he was discharged in the state of Virginia at Staunton after having faithfully served out his three years which discharge he kept for some time and never having drawn any of his pay he put the said discharge into the hands of Martain Fenter [Martin Fenton?] to draw his pay for him from whom he has never heard since he gave said discharge to him but supposes that said Fenton [sic] may have drawn his pay their own & pocketed it from which circumstance he has it not in his power now to produce it. He also states that he is now in reduced circumstances and stands in need of his country's assistance for support and has never been placed on any pension list of the United States. That he at this late period has no convenient proof to establish his servitude but expects that the rolls of the Army will evidence the same. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court this day before written.

S/ George Haynes, X his mark

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State of Tennessee Carter County: August Sessions 1819

Then personally appeared in open Court the subscriber George Emmert¹ and made oath that he saw and well knew George Haynes first in the first Regiment of dragoons of the Virginia line – and afterwards attached to the 3rd Regiment of dragoons of the Virginia line, in which this deponent served as a soldier – and that the present George Haynes is the identical same man and

¹ [George Emmert S38680](#)

was in several battles with him & well knows him to have served as stated in his declaration.
Sworn to & subscribed in open Court this 11th August 1819

S/ George Emmert, X his mark

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Original Claim

County of Carter SS [Tennessee]

On this 11th day of May 1829 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County aforesaid within the State of Tennessee George Haynes aged seventy-one years resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1819 & 1st of May 1820. That he the said George Haynes enlisted first into the Continental service for three years, in the fall of 1776 as well as he now recollects in the County of Frederick State of Virginia in the 1st Regiment of cavalry of the line of the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Fentleroy in the 1st Regiment of Dragoons commanded by Bellfield, of the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said 1st Regiment until the expiration of his three years when in the fall of 1789 [sic] enlisted again for the war in the said 1st Regiment of Dragoons of the State & line aforesaid & of the Continental establishment, that he was in service under said second enlistment to the close of the war & received a discharge from Captain Henry Bowyer only for his three years service at Staunton never having obtained his discharge for the second enlistment. That he hereby are relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension (except the present) that his name is not on the pension roll of any State & that his reason for not making an earlier application for a pension is that he knew nothing of the existence of the Law until 1819 when he made application in July & was referred on account of his not having made a schedule & seeing the rules of the Department required him to be paupered [sic], though unable to support upon his little effects still he could not come within the then rule

& 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 I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. That no material changes have been made in his property since 1818 – that by raising & killing stock for his family's support is the greatest, except that he has entered lands cents as will be shown in his following schedule, to wit three hundred eighty acres of mountain land, three hundred acres of which he had in 1818 & the eighty acres of entry since said land is situate in the hills of the Buffalo Mountain between that & the Iron Mountain & most of the lands owned by him are not more than equal to the lands entered at one cent per acre in the same section, said mountain land at the extent according to valuation affixed by all who have estimated it is of the value of not more than one dollar per acre, the yearly income of which is

not worth more than \$30 say	\$380
one here [?] mare 20 years old	20
4 Cows & calves & for small yearlings	50

16 head of sheep & 5 lambs	25
one gun	12
19 hogs mostly pigs	10
some little delph & Potts, tables & chest	<u>10</u>
	\$507

that he has no family save his wife & one son 17 years of age, his wife has unfortunately been for many years deranged & requires his attention & care to preserve her from injury insomuch that for seven years he has had to keep her confined – that he is a farmer & is without any trade. That he is unable from age to resort [?] to hard labor if his wife's situation would [indecipherable word]². That he has raised 10 sons, 9 of whom have gone from him & started penniless because he could not sustain himself on his little pittance much more give them aid, but still retains his little property in the way before described.

Sworn to & declared on the 11th May 1829 in open Court

S/ George Hains

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State of Tennessee Carter County: November Sessions 1829

Then personally appeared in open Court the subscriber George Emmert Senior & made oath that he was personally acquainted with George Haynes now personally present, served with him in the Revolutionary War, he the said George Haynes first being a soldier in the first Regiment of Dragoons and afterwards transferred to the 3rd Regiment of the same of the line of Virginia, that he was in several battles with the said George Haynes and well knows that he was more than 9 successive months in the service of the United States on the Continental establishment in the Regiments aforesaid.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court this 10th day of November 1829

S/ George Emmert

[p 71: On August 23, 1830 in Russell County Virginia, Eve Counts, upwards of 60 years of age, gave testimony that she was aware of the veteran served in the Virginia line for more than 9 successive months. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

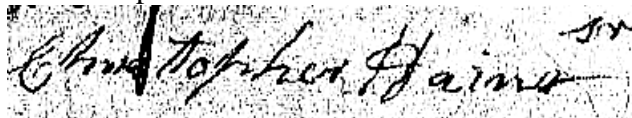
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State of Kentucky Allen County Sct.

Be it remembered that on this the 26 day of October 1830 before me Robert H Paris one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Christopher Haines Senior aged seventy-one years a resident citizen of the State and County aforesaid, who being first duly sworn and cautioned by me the truth to speak deposed and states. That he was and is personally and intimately acquainted with George Haines Senior of Carter County State of Tennessee, that the said George was born and raised in the town of Winchester in the State of Virginia. This deponent states that sometime in the year 1777 to the best of his recollection the said George enlisted as a soldier of the United States in the revolutionary War in the Regiment of Dragoons then commanded by Colonel Bland [Theodorick Bland] or Colonel Temple [Benjamin Temple], and for the term of three years after which enlistment as this deponent understood he was returned as having enlisted during the War. That the said George continued to serve as a soldier of the United States in the Virginia line from the time of his said enlistment until after the taking of Cornwallis at little York [October 19, 1781], sometime after which he obtained a furlough for three months. This deponent well recollects seeing and reading the furlough which the said George obtained shortly after his return from the South, where he had served. On the back of the furlough there was an endorsement that after the three months expired should the war end or no call be made, the said furlough was to be considered and operate as a final discharge from the service. This deponent well recollects that the war virtually ended before that time and that no call was ever thereafter made for the embodying of the troops. This deponent thinks that the said George was transferred from the Regiment in which he enlisted to that of Colonel Washington [William Washington] and that he was in several engagements with the British, under Colonel Washington. This Deponent and the said George were the only sons of their mother who during the Revolution lived in Winchester, he thinks he cannot be mistaken as to the matters and things above herein set forth, and his recollection is clear. The said George now lives and has lived for many years in Tennessee and he believes in Carter County not far from Jonesborough.

S/ Christopher Hains Sr.³

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christopher Hains Sr." with a small "Sr." written above the end of the name.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing December 16, 1830, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

³ [Christopher Hains \(Haines\) W8897](#)