

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Patrick Cavanaugh S40796
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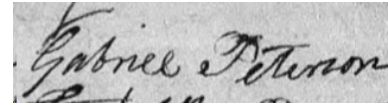
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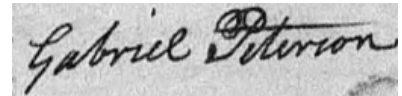
Patrick Cavanaugh being duly sworn according to law, before me, Boyd Mercer, one of the Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Washington in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, aforesaid, doth declare that he enlisted in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six in the Company commanded by Captain Michael Hoopnagle [sic: Michael Huffnagle, pension application W3087] in the eighth Pennsylvania regiment (on, as it was called, The Pennsylvania line) to serve during the war – that he continued in the service till the end of the war – that he received his discharge at Charlestown [Charleston], South Carolina, from General [Nathanael] Greene under whom he served the latter part of the war – that his discharge, which was an honorable one, has been worn out and lost – that some years ago he procured proof of his enlistment and service as aforesaid, with a view of obtaining a pension from the State of Pennsylvania – that the witness by whom he made such proof is since dead; but that the proof remains in the proper office at Harrisburgh [Harrisburg] – that he now seventy seven years old in extremely reduced circumstances and so very infirm as to be unable to procure subsistence by labour – that he has also a wife who is the mother of twenty two children – that this woman is the deponants fifth wife – and further this deponent saith not.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of April in the year of our LORD one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Boyd Mercer

Gabriel Peterson [W3295]
Late Lieut. of the 8 Penna. Regt



I do hereby Certify that Patrick Cavanaugh was enlisted into the Eight Penna. Regt the ninth of August Seventeen hundred and seventy six into Captain Hoopnagles Company – and served to the End of the warr with Grait Britton – he was taken out of the Regt. as a weator [waiter] to General [Lachlan] McIntosh and was Discharg'd in South Carolina



DISTRICT OF Pennsylvania, ss.

On this 27th day of March 1820 before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common pleas for the said district, personally appeared Patrick Cavanaugh aged 79 years, resident in Washington County in the said district, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:” That he, the said Patrick Cavanaugh enlisted for during the war on the ninth day of August in the year seventy six in Kittaning [sic: Kittanning] in the state of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain Eli Myres or Michael Huffnagle of the Regiment commanded by Colonel [Enos] McCoy in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the end of the War, when he was discharged from service in Charlestown state of South Carolina, that he was in the battles of ninety six [siege of Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] & Savannah [probably Savannah GA campaign under Gen. Anthony Wayne, January - July 1782] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid. Patrick hisXmark Cavanaugh

Pennsylvania, Washington County Ss On the twenty fifth day of September 1820 personally appeared in Open Court, being a court of record for the said County Patrick Cavanaugh, aged seventy nine years, resident in East Bethlehem Township in said County, who being duly sworn according to law doth, on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: in Capt. Michael Hufnagles' company of the eighth Regiment commanded by Col. Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead], attached to the Penna. line; made his original declaration April 3, 1818. Certificate Numbered 17.723. And 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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. One horse creature (not paid for) One cow, six hogs, one Table, four Old chairs, dresser furnature, two potts, two Spiders, on Skillet, two Saddels (Old) One pair horse geers, one pair hobbles, One pot rack, two old Axes, One Shovel, two iron wedges, two flat Irons. – I am indebted upwards of one hundred and fifty dollars – My family consists of my wife Mary, aged 60 yrs Son Benjamin 12 years. I was formerly a labourer, but now a cripple and for five years past unable to make a living – and had it not been for the bounty of my Country, I would have long since been on the Township.

Patrick hisXmark Cavener