

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hanna S41607

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Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Jackson in the State of Ohio May Term 1825

Personally appeared in open Court this being the Court of record for said County John Hanna aged Sixty-eight years resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he now is a resident Citizen of the County & State aforesaid and that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he served as a private soldier in the revolutionary war in the Virginia Continental line for the term of 3 years, that he was enlisted in Greenbrier County Virginia in the year 1777 by Captain Samuel Lapsley in whose company he served until after the battle of Monmouth (in which battle he fought) [June 28, 1778], when his said Captain went home & the Lieutenant Alexander Breckenridge was appointed Captain of said Company under whom he served until his time of service expired and by whom he was honorably discharged in 1780 as he thinks and during the siege of Charleston at which place he was taken prisoner [May 12, 1780] by the enemy and was thence detained in captivity 17 or 18 months, that the company in which he served along to the 16th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Gist [Nathanael Gist] that he does not now recollect the number of his Company and his discharge has long since been lost.

And he doth further declare on his oath that since the 18th day of March 1818 he hath not by gift sale or in any other manner disposed of his property or any portion thereof with a view or intent thereby to diminish it so as to bring himself 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 he hath not nor has any person for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor hath he any income other than that is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed to wit One old Mare & 3 Colts worth in all not more than \$60.02 old cows & 5 head of young cattle worth about \$25, 11 head of sheep young & old worth about \$15, 4 hogs worth \$3.50 and 82 acres of land which is not worth more than one & 25 per acre. The government price for land it being poor & having no improvements worth mentioning on it that the whole of his property together is not worth more than one hundred and forty dollars after paying his debts that he is indebted for the mare above mentioned \$28 and in other debts for articles to subsist on about \$45.

S/ Jno. Hanna

And the said John Hanna do further state on my oath that according to my recollection I have not parted with any property of value except what is herein after mentioned since the 18th of

March 1818 to wit one steer sold in 1822 to David Prows for \$15 for a side saddle, one steer to Abraham Dehaven for \$6.25 in cash in 1822, one steer to Peter Bunn for \$9 in cash in 1824, one calf to George Burris in 1824 for \$1.50 in cash, one mare in 1822 to John Hanna for 30 bushels of corn, one ram in 1823 to Thomas Nickle for \$2 in labor and one Ewe to John Corn for the season of a stud horse. And I do further solemnly swear that I am by Occupation a farmer and that I am of an age in capable any longer of laboring to support myself or family & must of course suffer unless I can get relief from my country in the service of which I have spent the better part of my days I have a family consisting of a wife nearly as old as myself and very infirm, 2 daughters Elizabeth 22 years old & Martha 20 years old I have also for grandchildren Tyrus 13 years old, and so 7 years old, Jane 5 years old & James 4 years all all of whom are dependent on me for a support and the aid they can be expected to give in rendering a permanent support the department can as well judge S myself & I do further State that I would have made application for assistance from my country before this time under the act of Congress aforesaid passed on the 18th of March 1818 that I always understood that those persons whose property amounted to \$200 were excluded the benefit of the same and I was unwilling to become a burden on my country while able to labor for a support but now finding myself any longer unable to provide a subsistence for myself & family I make application to my country.

S/ Jno. Hanna

[the court valued the property scheduled by the veteran as being worth \$206]

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Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Jackson & State of Ohio May Term 1825

Personally appeared in Open Court this being the Court of record for said County Drury Dondurant and William McClintic Respectable citizens of said County who being severally sworn according to law say upon their oath that they now are and ever since the 18th day of March 1818 have been well acquainted with John Hanna (the foregoing affiant) & with his common dealings during said time and that they have good reason to believe that amount of property mentioned above to have been sold & disposed of by him & the amounts received therefore in manner & form as is by him stated during said time is just & true & that the property set forth in the foregoing is a schedule as owned by him is not underrated or valued.

S/ William McClintic

S/ Drury Dondurant

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State of Ohio Jackson County: SS

I Jacob Westfall Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of Jackson and State of Ohio do hereby certify that at a Probate Court holden before me at my office in Jackson on the 24th day of April A.D. 1852, evidence satisfactory to said Court was a due to show that John Hanna late a United States pensioner at the rate of \$96 per annum died on the eleventh day of April 1845 and that at his death he left surviving no widow, but the following named children which are his only children him surviving viz. Christopher Hanna, John Hanna, Joseph Hanna, Elizabeth Scurlock, [name partially obscured by an official seal]cy Walton,¹ and Martha Callaghan and that [word or words of skewered by the seal] are twenty-one years of age and upwards.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the the seal of said court to

¹ another document in the file indicates that her name was Nancy Walton

be affixed this 24th day of April A.D. 1852.

S/ Jacob Westfall, Probate Judge

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 22, 1825, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]