

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Henson National Pension #S41629

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State of North Carolina, Superior Court of Law, Anson County

September Term 1820

### Original Claim

On the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, for said county, William Henson, of said county aforesaid, age about sixty five years, who being this duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the Act of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818 and on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1820 that the said, William Henson, enlisted in the service of the United States, in the company commanded by Capt. John Thorn. That he was attached to the Regiment commanded by Col. Morgan [*Daniel Morgan*] in the line of the State of Virginia in the Continental establishment, that he enlisted in the County of Culpeper in the State of Virginia on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> of January or thereabouts in the year of 1775 or 1776. That he continued to serve till he was discharged at Valley Forge in January 1777 or 1778, that he was in the Battle of Wood Bridge and Miscataway Swamp near Amboy [*Piscataway, May 10, 1777*] at the Capture of General Burgoyne at Saratoga [*Battle of Bemis Heights, October 7, 1777*] and at Chestnut Hill [*Chestnut Hill Ridge, December 6, 1777, part of the Battle of White Marsh*], that he has no other evidence now in his power except which he has proved and sent to the War Office.

And in the presence this day 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen in the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sold or in any manner disposed of my property to any part thereof with the intent thereby do diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the Act of Congress enacted to provide for certain persons engaged in this law and proved Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any persons entrusted for me any property or Security contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other that what is contained in the schedule here unto annexed and by me subscribed that is an old shotgun, a few farming tools worth not more than two dollars, that I am by occupation a farmer or laborer and that my family consists of myself, an aged wife and two granddaughters named Polly and Sealy Hinson.

Sworn to and subscribed  
in open court the 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
September 1820

William Hinson (His signature) 1

Martin Pickett C.S.C.(Clerk Superior Court)

(Verbatim and punctuation is with as little change as in App.)

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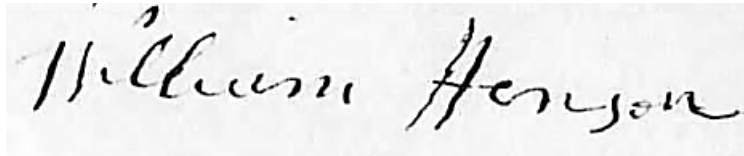
State of North Carolina Cumberland County

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1 I do not believe this is the actual signature of the veteran since the hand writing is identical to the body of the document.

*On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 1827 before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Cumberland personally appeared William Henson who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain John Thorn in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Woodford [William Woodford] in the service of the United States, that his name was placed on the Pension Roll of the State of North Carolina that he received a certificate of that fact under the signature and seal of the Secretary of War; which certificate on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1826 at noon, he gave to Burwell Benton to enable him to arrange the papers necessary to draw his pension & which certificate he has mislaid or lost.*

*S/ William Henson*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Henson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

*[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 15, 1824 service as a private for one-year in the Virginia Continental line.]*