

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Rhodes S41981

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State of North Carolina Surry County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions May term 1831

On this 9th Day of May A.D. 1831 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Surry State aforesaid Nathan Rhodes a resident of said County aged about seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820: That he the said Nathan Rhodes enlisted for the term of one year about the first of August 1781 at Edenton in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Clem Hall in the Regiment at first commanded by Colonel Murphy [sic, Hardy Murfree] & afterwards by Colonel Litle [sic, Archibald Lytle] in the 10th Regiment in the line of the State of North Carolina Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the same Corps until the first of August 1782 when he was discharged from service at the year Bacon's Bridge at the Round O, 6 miles from Charleston in the State of South Carolina -- his discharge has been lost -- That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and that his name is not on the Roll of any State except a militia Tour which he served at North West River Bridge in Virginia under the command of Colonels Lamb & Dosier & General Gregory -- of his enlistment with Captain Hall he was marched to Halifax where Captain Armstrong joined them from there they were marched to South Carolina & joined General Greene [sic, Nathanael Greene] at Ashley River near Charleston -- and that the reason for not making earlier application for a pension are the following. That although poor he was healthy & managed to maintain himself [indecipherable word or words] -- but is now old & infirm & unable to work

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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 on the 18th March 1818 he had but the very little personal property & no land & the changes since then have been very trifling, he has now the following property

1 Horse saddle & bridle and nothing else that                      S/ Nathan Rhodes  
he knows

Sworn to & declared in open court on the 9th May 1831

S/ John Wright, CC

[Wright valued the veteran's property at \$65]

State of North Carolina Wake County: Superior Court of Law & Equity for the County aforesaid  
Spring Term 1832

Present the Honorable John J. Daniel Judge of the Court aforesaid Nathan Rhodes formerly a resident of Orange, now a resident of Wake County & State aforesaid aged about seventy years, appeared in Open Court & having been first duly sworn according to law for the purpose of obtaining the provisions under the several acts of Congress for the relief of the Soldiers of the regular Army in the Revolutionary War, doth upon his oath declare & say that he enlisted in the regular service of the United States in the Continental line of the State of North Carolina, in the Revolutionary War in the North Carolina line in the year 1781 that he enlisted for 12 months, and continued to serve therein faithfully the term of his said Services and served 12 months in the 10th Regiment in Captain Clem Hall's Company of Infantry as a private Soldier and was Honorably Discharged on the first day of August 1782 since which time he has lost or mislaid his said Discharge & which he cannot now find. That his said Regiment was at times commanded by General Nathaniel Greene, Colonel Murphy [sic, Hardy Murfree], & Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle], and that he was in the Battle at the Eutaw Springs in the State of South Carolina. That he has four children all married & left them & being alone & no family but himself and being very old & infirm is entirely unable to work so as to support himself by his manual labor, that he is very poor and has no property either real or personal.

The said Nathan Rhodes further swears that he was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March A.D. 1818 & has been ever since & that he has not since that time by gift, sale, or any other way whatever disposed of any property or any part thereof with intent thereby, 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that h has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, money or securities of any kind whatever, That having no property where we had to make a statement of any Schedule he cannot make any & has only his wearing apparel, & has hitherto supported himself by hiring himself to do what work he could, But now has to support by the charities of those who will contribute a small mite to his necessities -- & further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to & Subscribed in open Court

Test: S/ R. Hinton, Clerk

S/ Nathan Rhodes, X his mark

State of North Carolina Secretary's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that, it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Nathan Rhodes a private Soldier in Captain Hall's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted in the year 1781 for the term of twelve months, and that his time was out the first day of August 1782, that nothing more is said of him on said rolls.

Given under my hand this 31st day of March 1832

S/ Wm Hill

Mr. Nathan Rhodes is now present and I do believe him to be the man he represents himself to be, and that he served his term of enlistment, say twelve months.

Given under my hand this 31st March 1832  
S/ Wm Hill, Secry.

State of North Carolina Washington County: Personally appeared before me James Wiley<sup>1</sup> one of the old revolutionary soldiers, being of the age of nearly 70 years, who being sworn upon the holy evangelist, deposeth and saith that Nathan Rhodes served as a soldier in the 12 months service in the old revolutionary war under General Grain the commanding officer, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and further this deponent saith not.

S/ James Wiley

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<sup>1</sup> [James Wiley S42075](#)