Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Zachariah Cook S42655 VA
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Virginia Greenbrier County towit

On this 22nd day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Greenbrier Zackariah Cook of said County and state aged seventy nine years on or about the 10th day of Jan'y. 1830 who being first duly sworn according to law on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 the first of May 1820 & the 1st March 1823. That the Zackariah Cook entered into the service of the United States in the State of Virginia for the Term of Eighteen months on Continental Establishment in the year 1781 He thinks in the month of October in said year in Staunton Va under Capt. Gamble [Robert Gamble BLWt869-300] of the Continental Army He was then marched from Staunton to Cumberland County Va. and attached to Capt. Moss's [Henry Moss BLWt1504-300] Company and put under the Command of Col. Fleebecker [sic: Christian Febiger VAS675] and in the Spring following he was put under the command of Col. Thomas Posey [BLWt1733-450]. That the Regement marched from Cumberland County to the State of Georgia to a place called Albinazer [sic: Ebenezer] and commanded by General [Anthony] Wayne and while Stationed at Albinazer that he was in two engagements one at Savana [sic: Savannah] about 20 miles from where the army was stationed and the other on the next night afterwards [more likely skirmishes at Sharon GA on 24 May 1782 and at Ebenezer GA on 23 Jun 1782]. The Army was attacked in the night [23 Jun] by Tories and Indians and had a severe conflict in the fall [sic] of 1782 the Army was marched from Albinazer to Ashby River [sic: Ashley River in SC] about nine or Ten miles below Bacon Bridge where it remained a short time and was then marched back to Cumberland Court house Va. where he was discharged. And then he enlisted in the army at Cumberland court house for three years in Capt. Cooks Company in the the regiment commanded by Col. Horse [possibly Samuel Hawes BLWt1066-450] and comanded by General Mulenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] and continued in the said Army at different places employed in guarding prisoners and magazines &c for one year and was then Furlowed on James River to return to the Army if called on again but never was called on afterwards. That he has lost both his discharge and Furlow. His furlow was signed by Capt. Cook and he thinks by General Scott [Charles Scott BLWt2055-850]. He submits the evidence of Reubin Huffman [W7827; see endnote] in addition to this declaration. I Reuben Huffman of the County of Greenbrier and State of Virginia do on this 22nd day of Feb'y 1830 do state after being sworn in open Court it being a Court of Record for s'd. County of Greenbrier that I saw Zackariah Cook who has now made application to obtin a pension, in the Army of the Revolution in the year 1781 He thinks in the early part of the winter of said year and that s'd Cook was under the command of Col. Thos. Posey Cook & myself were in different Companys but under the same Commander. That said Cook marched with the army on to abinazer in the State of Georgia. That he frequently saw s'd. Cook performing duty in the said army in the latter part of the year 1781 and the year 1782 and during the time said Cook and myself were in the service together we were in several scrimages. The said Cook states he has no further evidence to offer only the foregoing affidavid. And in pursuance of the act of Congress of the 1st 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 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 person 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 To wit:

7 Cows	\$50.00	1 Gray mare	\$40.00
2 Beds furniture & Bed sted	20.00	1 falling axe & 2 shovel plows	3.50

1 Clock	10.00	1 pr Gears & 1 Loom	9.00	
22 Hogs	11.00	2 big Kettles	5.00	
25 Sheep	25.00	1 pr Strechers & 1 Log chain	2.00	
1 Dung fork	1.00	15 Harrow teeth	2.50	
5 Calves	7.00	1 fire shovel	.75	
2 yearlings & 1 - 2 year old Horse	40.00	1 sorrel Horse 11 year old	40.00	
1 Bar Shear plow	1.00		\$273.62½ [sic]	
1 wheat Fan	5.00			
I am oweing the following persons				
To Henry Bunger	\$5 .	To Jessey Legg \$4.60	\$9.60	
" Thos. Semmerman	5.25	" McClintick 3.	8.25	
" John Kearns	4.50	" Thos. Dottson .50	5.00	
" James Withrow	8.80	" Arch'd Hutcheson 2.25	10.05	
" Thomas Creigh	3.70	" Lewis Stuart 283.58	287.58 [sic]	
			\$324.48 Cts [sic]	

Zackariah hisXmark Cook

I the said Zackariah Cook have a wife about 52 years old. I have [blank] children all of whom are of age and doing for themselves one of them lives with me but not under my controul and may go at any time they may think proper In fact I am getting so old and infirm and in such reduced circumstances as to stand in need of my Countries support. Sworn and declared on the 22nd Feb'y. 1830 before the County Court of Greenbrier in Session the same being a Court of Record.

Zachariah Cook appeared in Open Court & on Oath made an additional declaration in the words & figures following Towit The declaration of Zachariah Cook &c which is ordered to be certifyed &c.

The declaration of Zachariah Cook in addition to his former declaration made at the February Term of Greenbrier County Court 1830 for the purpose of Obtaining a Pension agreeable to the Act of the 18th March 1818 On this 26th day of April 1830 personally appeared in Open Court the said Zachariah Cook (it being a Court of Record for the County of Greenbrier) the said Cook being a Resident of said County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in addition to his former declaration alluded to above That his name is not on the Roll of any State that the following are the reasons for his not makeing an earlier application for a pension; I was not aware that I was entitled to a pension or that I could get one haveing lost my discharge and furlow and did not know until Lately that it was in my power to prove that I was in the Army of the Revolution that I was more abel to support myself by my Labours than I now am and that my property has diminished in Value haveing to be used for the Support of myself and Famely on the 18th March 1818 my property was more valuable than it is at this time or when I made my former declaration. I since that time sold one hundred dollars worth of Cattle to Charles Arbuckle with that money and some other I went to the State of Ohio and purchased a Tract of Land paid the hundred dollars got from Arbuckle and fifty dollars which I receved for other property in past pay for the land The Land I have since lost not being able to pay up the ballance of the purchase money the Land became forfeited to Government I had three Children married one Son and Two daughters to my Son I gave a lott and to each of my daughters I gave a Cow I paid Lewis Stuart my landlord towards my rent Two Horses one at Sixty five dollars the other at thirty dollars Several of the Cattle have died since that time I had to use my hogs & cattle for the Support of myself and family These are changes that have taken place in my property as nearly as I can Recollect

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Greenbrier Zacheriah hisXmark Cook

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Please to Issue Certificate for my pay & Land Warrant to Robert Gamble agreeably to the Vouchers enclosed & oblige Gentlemen. Your mo. hum'e Serv. Zachariah hisZmark Cook Staunton 26th oct'r 1783

Auditors of public acets/ Richmond

I certify that Zach'a Cook gave the above order to Robert Gamble in order to obtain his certificate March 26th 1786

Alex'r St.Clair

Zacariah Cook was received as a substitute in lieu of Peter Harman who had Deserted At Staunton. Rendezvous the 17th Dec'r 1781. afterwards reinlisted the novem'r 1782 for the term of three years. Certified this 11th day of April 1786

Ro. Gamble late Capt Virg'a Cont. Line

He continued in service untill Furloug'd or discharged agreeable to Resolu[tion] of Congress by Wm.

Johnson [two undeciphered words]

Point of Fork Sept [?] 1783 Ro. Gamble

NOTES:

Reuben Huffman of Greenbrier County did not refer to any service in the South in his own pension application W7827.

On 27 March 1835 Zachariah Cook applied to have his pension transferred to Ohio, having moved to Pike County because "his children had emmigrated from Virginia to Ohio, and he wished to reside with or near them." The application states further: "This affiant is very old and infirm and wished to have the assistance, as well as the society of his children. This affiants children had solicited him to emmigrate from Virginia to Ohio, and reside with them."

A document in the federal file describes the lands received by "Zackarias Cook" in Ohio and later forfeited.

Another document states that Cook died in Pike County on 30 Jan 1846 leaving John Cook, Elizabeth Cook, Mary Burgess, Nancy Gall, Margaret Zimmerman, Susan Zimmerman, and Sarah Butler his only children.