

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Hart S5494

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Virginia, to wit:

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Halifax County now sitting, Anthony Hart a resident of the said County and State aforesaid aged Seventy Seven years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the month of February 1776 under Gregory Smith Captain in the County of King & Queen and State of Virginia. I was marched through the Counties of King William, Charles City & James City to Williamsburg where I was joined to the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel William Nelson; I remained at that place until the spring following when we were marched to Guinn's Island [Gwynn Island] where we had a battle [July 8-10, 1776] after which I was marched to York Town then to Gloucester, during the summer we were stationed a while at each of those places, until the fall when I was transferred from Captain Smith to Captain Thomas Hill & I was then marched through the Northern part of Virginia through Fredericksburg into Maryland to Baltimore where we remained a few days. I was then marched into Pennsylvania through Philadelphia and a few miles from the Town we were stationed for the winter during which time I was inoculated for the smallpox. The next spring I was marched into the Jerseys into Bonbrook [Boundbrook] where I was joined to General Lincoln's [Benjamin Lincoln's] Brigade. I was marched about to various places over the Jerseys, where sometime late in the spring or first of the summer, I was joined to General Washington's Army. I was marched to various places and some distance into New York. We were turned back into Pennsylvania to Brandywine where we had a very severe battle [September 11, 1777], after which we were marched to Germantown where I was in another battle [October 4, 1777] after which we were stationed at a place in Pennsylvania called White Mash Camp [White Marsh], and in February 1778, I was discharged at that place by Thomas Hill, who had been promoted to Major. After serving a tour of two years I returned home – and some time in the year 1781 I was drafted and served a militia tour under Captain William Lumkin [William Lumpkin] and Colonel Matthews, my discharge is lost or mislaid so that it cannot be come at. I can prove by Lucy Younger and Mary Grisham that I was always reputed to have served as I have stated. I was born in the County of King & Queen, & State of Virginia the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 1755 where I lived until the year 1802 when I moved to the County of Halifax where I have lived ever since. The Register of my age is in an old Prayer book, that did belong to my father, which is now in my Possession –

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present and

declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

S/ A. Hart

I Lucy Younger of Halifax County and State of Virginia do hereby certify that I lived with Anthony Hart when we were both Children and in the first of the year 1776 he the said Anthony Hart enlisted in the Army of the United States, and did go from home and was absent for upwards of two years and it was always understood that he did serve two years in the said Service of the United States. He also was drafted and did serve a militia term sometime in the year 1781. Given under my hand this 24<sup>th</sup> September 1832

S/ Lucy Younger, X her mark

I Mary Grisham of Halifax County and State of Virginia do hereby certify that I lived with Anthony Hart when we were Children and in the first of the year 1776 he the said Anthony Hart enlisted in the service of the United States and was absent from home for upwards of 2 years and it was always understood that he did serve two years in the said Service of the United States. – He also was drafted and served a militia tour sometime in the year 1781. Given under my hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832.

S/ Mary Grisham, X her mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]