

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Henry S5508

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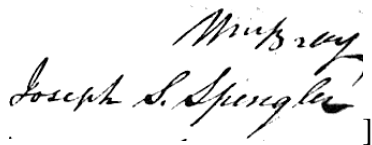
State of Virginia County of Shenandoah SS

On this 9th day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the said County now sitting Moses Henry Senior a resident of Gooney Manor in the County 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 and was attached to Captain Langdon's [Jonathan Langdon's] Company belonging to the 12th Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood (Abraham Tipton was Lieutenant of Captain Langdon's Company). That when he enlisted he resided upon Flint River in the aforesaid County of Shenandoah. Soon after he enlisted he went to Woodstock, and marched from thence to Winchester in Frederick County from thence to a place called Camp Holly & Richmond where he joined his Regiment. That previous to his reaching the neighborhood of Richmond, he was taken sick in consequence of waiting through water and mud, and other exposures. He was so extremely ill that it was supposed by the Surgeon and other physicians that he could not recover. And he was accordingly discharged being unfit for duty in May 1777 as well as he recollects – having been in service nine months as near as he can recollect. That his discharge was given by Colonel Wood and perhaps Captain Langdon. He further states that several years ago he made application for a pension,¹ and his original discharge was either sent in to the War Office, or has been mislaid. His former application under the former pension laws, was unsuccessful and he presumes the papers containing his former declaration are on file in the war Office. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Moses Henry, Senior, X his mark

[William Bray and Joseph S Spengler gave the standard supporting affidavit. William Bray gave a separate affidavit saying that he took the veteran's previous application along with a discharge to the war Office and recalls that the discharge, as best he recollects, was signed by Colonel Wood.


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¹ This file contains no previous pension application filed by this applicant

Virginia Shenandoah County SS

The affidavit of Abner Smith taken before the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County on the 8th day of June 1833 – after this deponent being duly sworn he deposeth and saith

That sometime early in the year 1827 Moses Henry not being able to attend Court came before him the said Smith then an acting Magistrate of Shenandoah to make his declaration as required by law in order to be placed on the pension list under the law passed in the year 1818 and 1820 – in making out his declaration said Moses Henry presented his discharge – which was dated on the 17th day of May 1777 – and stated that he was discharged as being unfit for service and signed James Wood Commandant of the 12th Regiment and further this Affiant saith not.

S/ A. Smith

John Boyd of lawful age being first sworn deposeth and saith that he had in his possession the discharge of Moses Henry in the regular service for something like the time of two years, and he further states that the discharge was signed by Wood the Commandant of the 12th Regiment and that he thinks the name of the Captain was Langdon and further this Affiant saith not.

S/ J. Boyd

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia Continental line.]