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Pension Application of Henry Jackson S5609

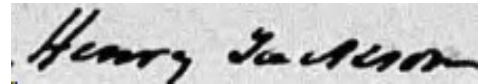
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State of Virginia & County of Powhatan, to wit:

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before Jessee Gilliam, Archibald Turpin, Henry Z. [illegible] & [illegible] Drake the Court of Powhatan County aforesaid, now sitting, Henry Jackson, a resident of the same County, aged 71 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 was born in the year 1761, in the County of Chesterfield & State of Virginia, though for many years past he has been a resident of the adjoining County of Powhatan— That in the year 1780, as well as he recollects, the militia from the said County of Chesterfield was called to march to the south; & that two companies that he has a knowledge of started, one commanded by Capt. Archibald Walthall, & another by Capt. Booker— That he, himself, was attached to the company commanded by Capt Walthall That they marched from Chesterfield Court House to Randolph's mills [near Petersburg], where they remained until the militia from the Counties of Henrico, Hanover & Caroline joined them— That then under the command of Col Faulkner [sic: Ralph Falkner] they marched from Petersburg through Dinwiddie County, Lunenburg, & Mecklenburg Counties, crossed the River Roanoke at Taylor's ferry [S of Boydton VA], & continued on to Hillsborough in North Carolina— That there they encamped under the command of General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens], until the arrival of Gen'l. [Horatio] Gates. when he took the command he marched on towards Camden in South Carolina, where we were defeated on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August [sic: 16 Aug 1780] by Lord Cornwallis— That in this battle the said Jackson was wounded in the leg by a ball — That they tried to rally at Hillsborough— That he continued in the army till December, then returned home, & served, as he supposes during this tour, about six months — That in Feby. of the next year (1781) the militia was called to meet at the Court House of the County — That they marched under the command of Capt. David Patterson to Goode's bridge [on Appomattox River at Goode Creek] in the upper part of the County of Chesterfield, then went to Dinwiddie C. H. where they stayed about three weeks, & after this marched to Petersburg where they were discharged by Capt. Robert Goode of Chesterfield County, but directed to be ready again for service at a moment's warning — That this was a little time before the Battle at Guilford Court House [in North Carolina, 15 Mar 1781], & immediately after this battle the militia from Chesterfield was again called out under the same Capt. David Patterson & continued to travel to & fro through the country under the general command of Lafayette until Lord Cornwallis was taken at York-Town [19 Oct 1781] — That in this year (1781) he served, as he supposes, about nine months — That in all, he served as he believes at least two years— That he has lost his certificate of discharge.



Powhatan County & State of Virginia to wit:

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace for the aforesid County, Henry Jackson, who being duly sworn, deposeth & saith that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his services, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below & in the following grades: That his first tour of service was when he went as a militiaman under the command of Capt. Archibald Walthall, to the South, & was in the engagement at Camden as stated in the body of his declaration — That he started from home in the early part of June, as well as he remembers, & returned home late in November, & to make this term certainly short enough, he will say that he was int he service this time five months. — That his next tour, which was of three months' duration, was shortly after his tour to the South when he

went down to Williamsburg, from thence to little York & from thence to Petersburg where he was present at the time of the little skirmish there. That the name of his Captain at this time he does not certainly remember – but he rather believes that Patterson commanded his company. He say, once for all, that he never served in any other capacity than as an ordinary member of the militia – never as a volunteer. – That a third tour of three months he think down in Gloucester, Essex & King & Queen Counties, under a Captain whose name he does not recollect. – That he has not the least doubt that altogether he served as long a period as he charges in his declaration, but of particular tours he can remember no more than these just stated – though he was serving, as appears to him, more or less from the time of his entering the service ‘till the end of the war. The years of the tours named his memory cannot recall. – He says that he never had any written discharge & therefore has no documentary evidence. The certificate of a living witness is attached hereto – He says thiat he has in his possession a family record, according to which he was born at the time & is of the age stated in his declaration. – He names Baron Steuben & Genl. [Anthony] Wayne as regular officers that he remembers. Of continental & militia regiments he is too ignorant to speak, & the general circumstances of his service he has already detailed. – As to the names of persons in his neighbourhood he has already obtained the certificate of John Wooldridge, & of Archibald Short [Archibald Short, pension application S17085], too, who lives in the same County, & he now adds the name of James Hall [S5492].

Given under my hand & seal this 9<sup>th</sup> of April in the year 1833. Jos. B. Davis

I James Hall hereby certify that I served my tour of five months at the South, during which I was in the engagement at Camden, in the same company with Henry Jackson. I moreover, certify that I served one tour more with him in the lower part of this state. James hisXmark Hall