

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Hair S6978

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State of North Carolina Iredell County: Always Stationed A.D. 1832

On this 25 day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County now sitting David Hair a resident of Iredell County and State of North Carolina aged 70 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 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States as herein stated.

That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer for five months under Captain Wilson and joined the troops at Salisbury and marched from thence to Moncks Corner in South Carolina under Colonel Locke and General Rutherford. From Moncks Corner was marched to Purrysburg in the said state near Savannah from thence marched to the Two Sisters Ferry on the Savannah River where his time of service expired and was discharged but has lost his discharge. He was afterwards volunteered in the year 1780 for three months under Captains Armstrong & Caldwell and served in the Corps commanded by General Rutherford. This tour was performed mostly in Mecklenburg and Lincoln County in pursuit of the Tories and arrived at the place where the battle of Ramsour's Mill was fought on the day after the battle & was marched from thence to the forks of the Yadkin [River] in Rowan County where he was discharged. In the early part of the year 1781 he again entered as a volunteer under Captain William Bell and joined the Corps under Colonel Locke and was at the Catawba at the time the British Army in pursuit of Morgan crossed that River, and retreated with the Army to Torrence's [Tarrant's Tavern] where being scattered, and having collected together at Second Creek, fell into the Rear of the British Army and pursued them, and near Dan River joined the Corps under General Lincoln [sic, Nathanael Greene], and about ten days before the battle of Guilford Court-house was discharged and returned home. Soon after he volunteered again for three months in Captain Morrison's Company in General Rutherford's Division & Colonel Locke's Regiment, was marched near to the town of Wilmington and was discharged at the expiration of the tour:

that in addition to these he was frequently called into service for a few days at a time, and does honestly and verily believe that his whole services amounted to fifteen months or upwards.

That he does not know the year of his birth of which he has no record, but was born in Pennsylvania.

He was living in Rowan County now Iredell near the place where he now lives at the time he was called into Service, and served under the Officers mentioned before, that he received regular Discharges that he has long since lost them, He refers to James Wilson, Davis Dickey and Robert Hair. He has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no persons whose testimony he can procure (other than that annexed) who can testify to his Services.

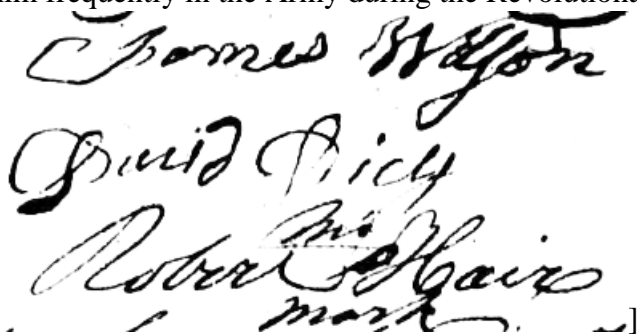
He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ A. Simonton, Clk

S/ David Hair, X his mark

[James Wilson,<sup>1</sup> David Dickey<sup>2</sup> & Robert Hair gave the standard supporting affidavit. "James Wilson saw him at Ramsour's shortly after the battle there in the service of the Country & at several other places. David Dickey says he marched with him in the tour to the neighborhood of Wilmington & back again, and saw him in service in Mecklenburg County. Robert Hair<sup>3</sup> saw him frequently in the Army during the Revolutionary War."



James Wilson  
David Dickey  
Robert Hair  
mark

State of North Carolina Iredell County

Personally appeared David Hair before made the Subscribing Justice of the peace and being duly sworn upon his oath doth make the following additional declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provisions of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

That by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he is not able to swear positively as to the length of his service but to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades.

That in the year 1779 he thinks in October he served as a private in the foot in Captain Wilson's company as stated in his declaration 5 [months]

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That in 1781 in the fall he served another tour in the foot under Captain Morrison marching to Wilmington 3 [months].

That he served a tour as private in the horse under Captain Armstrong in a Scouting party in Mecklenburg County to the South Carolina line, and was engaged 8 days.

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<sup>1</sup> [James Wilson S7938](#)

<sup>2</sup> [David Dickey S2522](#)

<sup>3</sup> FPA S9567

That he served another tour a private in the horse under Captain Armstrong, he was a volunteer, was some time stationed at Sherrills Ford on the Catawba [River] and served twice scouring the Country in Burke County after Tories 20 [days].

In the year 1780 after the battle at Camden he was a Substitute for one James Woodburn in Captain Wraggs company. He was a private & served in the Fort and was stationed below Charlotte, this service was for one [month] 15 [days] and for such service I claim a pension 17 [months] 13 [days]

S/ David Hair, X his mark

Sworn Subscribed this first day of June 1833 before me  
S/ J. Campbell, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 15 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]