

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hood S7031

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State of North Carolina Haywood County} On this 1st day of January 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (it being a court of Record) now sitting John Hood a resident of Haywood County North Carolina aged eighty-three years nine months who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated: That [he] entered the service as a drafted militia man under the immediate command of Captain George Dunlop [sic, George Dunlap] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Eli Cashaw [sic, Eli Kershaw] and was marched to Camden South Carolina & there served as a scout for upwards of a year but from length of time can't now recollect precisely that afterwards he served two years under Captain Robert Montgomery in the same Regiment as above frequently engaged in skirmishes with the British and Tories and was at the Battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781]¹ under General Marion [Francis Marion] served two months under General A. Wayne [Anthony Wayne] and engaged in acting as a reconnoitering party and as scouts against the marauding parties of the British and Tories served one month under General Morgan in the same character afterwards he served three months under General Marion during this time they were continually kept marching and countermarching frequently fighting the British & Tories afterwards served under Colonel Dunlop something like eleven months who commanded a party of troops who was drafted to serve every other months as circumstances might require. Served about a month under General Greene [Nathanael Greene] was in the Battle at Edisto River with the British under General Marion he states entered the service in the State of South Carolina & served as well as he can now recollect about four years altogether in the State of South Carolina as one of the State Troops.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension 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. Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. In the State of Virginia in the year 1750

2. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it? – I have in my Father's family Bible which is in my possession
3. Where were you living when called into the service where have you lived since the

¹ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

revolutionary war and where do you now live? Answer. I was living in South Carolina Lancaster District moved from South Carolina to the State of Tennessee lived there one year & removed to Haywood County North Carolina where I now live

4. How were you called into the Service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

Answer a part of the time I served as a drafted militia man the balance served as a volunteer

5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and militia Regiments as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your Service

I served a tour under General, Served a tour under General Wayne & General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] & also General Marion I also served under General Morgan [Daniel Morgan]

6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service if so by whom was it given and what has become of it? I received a discharge signed by General Green another signed by General Marion & another signed by General Pickens which is lost so that I cannot lay my hands on them

7. State the names of Persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character as a Soldier of the Revolution & as your service. I am known to William Haynes a clergyman & John Weaver.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day & year above written.

S/ R. Love, Clk

S/ John Hood, X his mark

[William Haynes, a clergyman, and John Weaver gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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The additional Declaration of John Hood of Haywood County North Carolina made in open Court by the 6th day of April 1834

he entered the service in the spring of the year before the Battle of the Eutaw Springs as a volunteer & served two weeks in a scouting party in the company commanded by Captain George Dunlap he never was a Lieutenant and the word on his former Declaration taken for Lieutenant was written & intended for Scout – he was afterwards drafted for two months and served in said Dunlap's Company during which time the battle of the Eutaw was fought which he was in his Regiment was commanded by Colonel Eli Kershaw when he will was first drafted he was marched to Camden South Carolina after which he was taken to the battle of Eutaw & fought that Battle under General Pickens as he thinks But from his age and loss of memory he cannot state dates or particular circumstances But recollects that owing to one of the Colonel's being sick his Captain Dunlap acted in that Battle as Colonel which is the reason he is so named in his first Declaration.

He was drafted for two months after that after that and served in said Company under General Marion below Camden near a place called the four holes & was in a skirmish with a party of British who were cut up the being delayed by Marion's advance Troops but cannot recollect date or name of place.

He was drafted for two months and joined Morgan the day after the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] & was with him until his time expired.

He was drafted for two months in a company of Captain Richard Montgomery & served under General Greene above Charleston while the British was in that place was in a skirmish with a British advanced post one night who were driven in

He was drafted for two months in said company & was in the Battle of Edisto under

command of General Greene or Wayne does not remember which he received discharges from Greene, Marion & Pickens none for the other service that he recollects. The company was classed to which he belonged & one half served one month tours alternately after that time but he cannot recollect the service with sufficient certainty to state it he is well satisfied he served near about four years in all the time he served but cannot state the regular chain of service And can only as to be allowed for so much service as one he considered to be specified he knows of no witnesses in his power by whom he can prove any part of his service from his great age length of time and lapse of memory he cannot be more specific.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

S/ JT Chambers, Clerk

S/ John Hood, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$34.88 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months & 14 days service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]