

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Hopkins S7043

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of North Carolina Orange County: SS

On this the 23rd day of September 18 42, personally appeared before the undersigned one of the Justices of the Courts of pleas & quarter Sessions for the aforesaid County of Orange, Isaac Hopkins, of the said County (formerly of Edgefield District South Carolina) aged 86 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, sometime in the spring of 1777, at Harrisburg in Granville old Court House, North Carolina with Captain Phil. Taylor, of said County.

That he was attached to the [illegible] North Carolina Regiment, Lamb [Gideon Lamb] was Colonel: of said Regiment and Pike [Benjamin Pike] Captain – William Taylor, was also a commissioned officer in said Regiment (Colonel).

From Harrisburg this Declarant was marched to the northern Army under General Washington, passed through Petersburg & Richmond Virginia to Annapolis in Maryland – thence to Head Quarters, was in the battle at Germantown in the fall following. In the ensuing winter encamped at Valley Forge, where this Declarant remained through the winter and continued with the Army for some time.

In the winter of 1779, and in the month of January, as well as this Declarant now remembers he was again mustered into the United States Service – and was marched as a recruit to General Lincoln in South Carolina the officers the same as above named.

Was in the Siege of Charleston, under General Lincoln, and made prisoner by the British troops in the May following. In about 8 or 10 days thereafter was permitted to return home on parole.

On or about the first September following he acted as assistant commissary for some months, the precise time not recollected – Philip Ross also was assistant Commissary Colonel Nicholas Long of Halifax was chief Commissary, that it was Harrisburg [where] this Declarant

served as commissary.

The reason this Declarant did not apply earlier for a pension was, that, he was living in Edgefield District South Carolina, distant from Granville County, North Carolina, some 400 miles – About 2 years ago, he visited Granville County North Carolina for the purpose of getting proof of his Services as a Soldier in the United States Service in the Army of the Revolution. He met with one of his revolutionary companions, Cyrus Davis,<sup>1</sup> a pensioner residing in Granville County, who recognized this Declarant as Soldier who had been in the 6th North Carolina Regiment with him – and proved that the Declarant served 2 1/2 years.

Upon inquiry for said Davies, this Declarant understands that he is dead.

This Declarant would have applied for a pension under Act 18th of March 1818 had he been enabled that day to get evidence of his Service, being at that date a resident of Edgefield district South Carolina.

That he was born in Orange County, Virginia the 9th day of January 1756.

That his father removed to Granville County, aforesaid, when this Declarant was about 16 years of age. That he was living in Granville County North Carolina, when he enlisted in 1777.

That he was acquainted with Philip Taylor, Captain Pike, Colonel Lamb, Colonel William Taylor, Colonel Lytle, General Washington, General Lee, General Lincoln, Ambrose Manning adjutant General & others Continental officers.

That this Declarant had the misfortune to have his house burnt many years ago when he lost all his papers.

That he has procured in South Carolina, and Wilkes County Georgia, where he has recently been living, testimonials of reputable Citizens, stating their belief that he was a Soldier in the War of the Revolution &c.

Also a Certificate of Judge Gant [Richard Gantt] of Greenville district South Carolina, dated in November 1841, which is hereto annexed, in which this declarant states upon his said oath, to be genuine and true.

That if further evidence of his Identity be required, he expects that proof additional might, perhaps, be procured in this and Granville County – but trust that the accompanying evidence will suffice both as to his Service & Identity.

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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Thos. Jones, JP

S/ Isaac Hopkins, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Isaac Hopkins a private in Captain Pike's company of the 6th Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Gideon Lamb enlisted on the 10th day of May 1777 for the term of three years, was omitted in January 1778, mustered again in just January 1779. I do further certify, that it appears of record in this Office, that a warrant issued for the services of said Isaac Hopkins for 274 acres of land on the March 8th 1785, No. 1577, drawn by Captain Evans, that 274 acres, was the quantity of land allowed by law for 3 years services of a private Soldier.

Given under my hand this 27th of September 1842

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<sup>1</sup> [Cyrus Davis S41500](#)

S/ Wm Hill

[fn p. 38: on February 10, 1844 in Wilkes County Georgia, the veteran filed for a transfer of his pension benefit in which he states he served in the company of Captain Jas Curry in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Nevels; he gives as his reason for removing to Georgia that his connections and family have nearly all removed to Georgia and now reside there.]

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State of North Carolina Granville County December 16 day 1839

This day comes before me E. Hester one of the Justices of the peace in & for said County Cyrus Davice [Cyrus Davis] resident of said County aged eighty-one years, and maketh oath in due form of law that he is well acquainted with Isaac Hopkins formerly of the County of Granville State of North Carolina but now a Resident of South Carolina, that about the commencement of the Revolution Ware [sic], he and the said Hopkins enlisted in the regular Army under Captain Philip Taylor of Granville County and Wm Taylor was commanding Col. and that they served together in the regular Army for 2 years & 6 months during which time we passed through the following states North Carolina, Virginia, Meroland [Maryland] & New York but most of the time was in Pencilvania [Pennsylvania] and in the following battles, viz., Germinton [Germantown] , and Monmouth court house.

Sworn & subscribed this day & year above written.

S/ E. Hester, JP

S/ Cyrus Davis, X his mark

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February 13 1840 this day came Isaac Hopkins of the State of South Carolina Edgefield District before me William A Johnson one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Granville and State of North Carolina and maketh oath that to his certain knowledge Cyrus Davis of the County of Granville and State of North Carolina did enlist and faithfully served thirty months in the sixth Regiment of the Regulars from the State of North Carolina commanded by Colonel William Taylor during the Revolutionary War, and that Archilaus Davis brother of the said Cyrus Davis enlisted and served in the same Regiment until he died. Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ W. A. Johnson, JP

S/ Isaac Hopkins, X his mark

February 13 1840 This day came Cyrus Davis before me William A Johnson one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Granville and State of North Carolina and after being duly sworn saith that to his certain knowledge Isaac Hopkins of the State of South Carolina Edgefield District did enlist and faithfully served thirty months in the sixth Regiment of Regulars from the State of North Carolina commanded by Colonel William Taylor during the Revolutionary War. Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ W. A. Johnson, JP

S/ Cyrus Davis, X his mark

[Facts in file: veteran died November 3, 1852; the place of his death is not shown nor is there any information as to his marital status.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]