

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Wysor S7854

VA

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State of Virginia, Montgomery county Sc.

On this 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared before the county court of said county in the state aforesaid, Henry Wysor (or Weizer) a resident of said county and state, aged 78 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1776 (he believes in the month of February) under Captain [Thomas] Berry in the county of Frederick and state of Virginia, and served in the Eighth Virginia regiment of the line, under the following officers. He was marched from Frederick county to Jamestown in Virginia, where he joined his regiment commanded by Colo. Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] and Colo. [Abraham] Bowman, and from there they marched to Halifax in North Carolina, from thence to a place called Pine tree store where we took water in South Carolina, and when we were landed we were marched by the way of Charlestown to Sullivan's Island, and I was there when it was attacked by the British shipping [27-28 Jun 1776], from there to Savannah Georgia from thence to Saulsbury [sic: Salisbury NC] where I was taken sick and lay three months and then returned to Savannah, and got a Furlow and returned home, where I remained almost three weeks and was ordered to Philadelphia and from there crossed the Delaware and joined the main army on the Jersey side and was marched to Gen'l. Morgan's [Daniel Morgan, Col. at that time] regiment of Riflemen. I was a short time in Capt. [Gabriel] Long's company and then in Capt. Knox's company, my Lieutenant was Craig and Ensign Lively. I was at the taking of Burgoyne [Saratoga NY, 17 Oct 1777] and was in the battle of Valley forge, where my Major (Morris) was killed [Joseph Morris, mortally wounded at Battle of Whitemarsh, 6 Dec 1777]. I was in several skirmishes at places I do not recollect so as to describe them. I was discharged I think in February 1778, at a place called the white Horse in Pennsylvania [White Horse Tavern in Chester County], my discharge I kept until the return of peace or sometime after, and thinking it would be of no use to me, threw it away or destroyed it. I returned home and married, and lived in the county of Frederick till the siege of Little York [Yorktown, 28 Sep -19 Oct] in the year 1781 when I was drafted under Capt. Bell and marched to Little York, where I was at the taking of Cornwallis and in about six or seven weeks got a Furlow to return home, and was not after called upon. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or 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. Henry Wysor

Virginia. Montgomery County Sc.

On this 4th day of March 1833 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, before the Justices of said court, Henry Wysor Sen'r. who being first duly sworn according to law made an additional declaration as follows. My Captain Berry gave me the appointment of Sergeant when I enlisted, and I believe enrolled me as such, after serving some time, I applied to be released, on the ground, I was no scholar but was refused, and I continued to do the duties of Sergeant for some time. I then got my arm broken and was unable to do duty for some time, we were marched to the South as I have stated in my former declaration where I was taken sick and lay near three months. I returned home and was ordered to the North (Philadelphia) but few of my old company lived to return, and when I joined the main army in the Jerseys I was attached to a strange company, in a few days I joined General Morgan's rifle regiment Morgan had been a neighbour and acquaintance of mine. I was again appointed Sergeant and served as such but our company was soon after cut to pieces and we were consolodated or placed in other companies which was several times the case, as I do not know how long I served as Sergeant, when I was drafted in the year 1781. I recollect well of doing the duties of Sergeant at the taking of Cornwallis. Henry Wysor

NOTES:

Wysor's service was certified by John Carper (S37825) and Jacob Anderson (R184).

On 7 March 1845 Henry Wysor and James Wysor, executors of the pensioner, certified that the latter had lived in Pulaski County VA for more than three years before his death on 12 Jan 1844.