

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Leonard Hise (Hice) S8713

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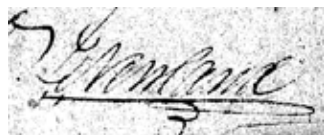
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State of North Carolina Burke County

This day appeared before me the undersigned an acting Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid David Newland who after being duly sworn according to law Deposeth & Sayeth that in the year 1827 Leonard Hise placed in his hands two Documents one purporting to be a Discharge signed by James Desart [James Dysart] Colo. in which Discharged the aforesaid Colonel Disart Certified that said Hise was a good Soldier in the Army of the Revolution. The other Document was the affidavit of Joseph Starnes Esquire taken before David Wittenberg Esquire of said County showing that he was in the Army of the Revolution with said Hise at the Battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] at the time of Ferguson's Defeat [Patrick Ferguson] and that said Hise was wounded by the Enemy which documents then a representative from said County introduced into the Legislature of said State at its Session of 1827 accompanied by a Resolution directing Said Hise to be placed on the pension list of said State & receive \$60 per annum and the Resolution did not pass – and he the said Newland then obtained leave to withdraw all the aforesaid papers from the files of the House of Commons and the Clerk of the House told him that he made several searches for the same but could never find them & that they were either lost or mislaid. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 25<sup>th</sup> of October 1830

S/ D. Newland

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. Newland", written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

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State of North Carolina, Burke County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions AD 1833

On this 25 day of July 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Court now in session, Leonard Hise aged 77 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832 or any other Law of the United States granting pensions to Invalids – That he served against the Common Enemy of the United States during the Revolution War as follows: being always a Drafted man & Private & That my name is not on the pension list Roll of any state.

First term of service was in guarding the fort under Captain Aaron Lewis of Col. William Campbell's Regiment of Virginia militia. The fort they were guarding was called Briant's [sic, Bryant's] Station, a fort just in the wolf hills in the western part of Virginia now Washington County against the Cherokee Indians in the early part of the war of the revolution.

Second tour of service was in guarding the Fort called Moses Lucas's<sup>1</sup> [?] Fort in the same territory under said Aaron Lewis from [the] same Regiment [of] Virginia militia.

Thirdly: 3 months tour under Captain John Jimerson [John Jamison] [at] Butcher's Station against same Indians in same territory from same Regiment; cannot recollect date.

Fourthly: 3 months tour at Campbell's station under said Captain John Jimerson from the same militia from all of which tours he was regularly discharged but lost all his discharges by getting them wet by his horse falling in Holston River by the breaking of the ice the winter before the battle of Kings Mountain.

Fifthly: I was in a 3 months tour of service under Volunteer Captain James Dysart (who although a Colonel) acted as Captain in Colonel Campbell's Regiment at the battle of King's Mountain in October 1780. When we went into the battle, I was commanded by Captain James Dysart where I was dreadfully wounded. I received two balls in by left arm and it was broken. We were fighting in the woods & with the assistance of my comrades who would push my bullets down, I shot three rounds before I was shot down & I then received a bullet through my left leg. The fourth bullet I received in my right knee [?]<sup>2</sup> which shattered the bone on of my right thigh & brought me to the ground. When on the ground, I received a bullet in my breast & was bourn off the ground to a Doctor & on the next day I was discharged by my Captain James Dysart which said discharge was the one lost by Colonel David Newland as shown by his affidavit hereunto appended (A). At the battle of King's Mountain I shot 16 rounds as I think. The reason of thinking so is that on the morning before the battle I run [?]<sup>3</sup> 100 bullets & after the battle I missed Sixteen. The way that I fought after my left arm was broken was to rest my rifle against a tree & take sight & generally the man I aimed at fell; whether my bullet brought the enemy down or not I cannot say for many were as good marksmen as I, we being mounted Rifleman & I was carried to Dr. Frederick Fisher's near Salisbury, N.C., where I stayed two years before I was able to get home.

Answers to interrogatories propounded by the court:

I was born on [the] 11th [of] January 1756 in the County of Rowan, North Carolina. There is a record of my age in my father's old Bible now owned by my brother Jacob in the County of Haywood, N.C. I was living in what was then called the Western territory of Virginia at the time I was called into service on the waters of Holston [River] now called Washington County. I after my discharge returned to my father's [house] at the place I had been called into service (that is, when [I was] able to get away from the Doctor) & stayed there five or six years but cannot recollect at what time for my memory has failed me. I then came to Rocky River, Mecklenburg [County] N. C. & stayed there for about 15 years & from thence came to this County (Burke, N. C.) & had lived here ever since. I was always a drafted private soldier & the

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1 *Moses Lucas's fort*

2 *right knee*

3 *run*

last tour of Duty, the battle of King's Mountain, I was a mounted Rifle man. There were never any regular officers where I served that I now recollect. In my four first tours against the Indians, we never were under the command of a higher officer than Captain. At the battle of King's Mountain, Col William Campbell commanded the Regiment to which I belong. Col. Cleveland's [Benjamin Cleveland's] Regiment or a part of it were in the battle: also Col McDowell's [Joseph McDowell's] men from Burke [County]. I also recollect that the present General William Lenoir of Wilkes [County] was in that battle. I can recollect but little more that it would do any good to detail. Colonel David Newland lost my last [discharge] as by his affidavit hereto appended (A). I am well acquainted with John Boon Esquire the sheriff of this County, the Reverend Robert Johnson Miller & Major Elisha D. Miller & Joseph Starnes, see affidavits (B) (C) (D) (E) and others whom I expect to get the certificates of. I am a cripple & am unable to procure the testimony of any more men than Joseph Starnes, Esq. whose affidavit is hereunto appended marked (B).

Sworn to in open court 25th of July 1833

S/Leonard Hise, X his mark

[Robert Johnson Miller, Rector of Saint Andrews Church in Burke County North Carolina, and E. S. Moore gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[John Boon & Elisha P Miller gave a separate supporting affidavit as to the reputation of the veteran as a revolutionary soldier.]

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State of North Carolina Burke County: We Samuel Tate and W. C. Tate practicing Physicians in said County after an examination of Leonard Hise believe that he is deficient [?]<sup>4</sup> and that he has upon his extremities scars and injuries resembling gunshot wounds and that there is some apparent difference in the size of his thighs. And upon the whole believe him to be a disabled man.

*W. C. Tate*

*Samuel Tate*

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State of North Carolina, Burke County

This day Leonard Hise came before me the undersigned justice of the peace in and for said County and made oath in due form of law and saith that he was a private soldier in the Revolutionary service and served the following tours to wit:

1<sup>st</sup>: three months at Briant's [sic, Bryant's] station guarding the fort under Capt. Aaron Lewis, the date not recollected.

2<sup>nd</sup>: three months tower [tour] at Moses luna [?]<sup>5</sup> fort under the command of the said Aaron Lewis.

*Justice of the Peace*

*Moses Luna*

3<sup>rd</sup>: three months tower at Boscher's [sic, Butcher's?] fort under the command of Captain John Jimmerson [sic, Jameson?].

4<sup>th</sup>: three months tower at William Camill's [sic, William Campbell's] station under the command of said Captain Jimmerson [sic, Jameson]; the above 4 towers were served in different years against the Indians and if he had regular discharges he had lost them: believed to be the battle of King's Mountain.

5<sup>th</sup>: a three months tower under Captain James Diserd [sic, James Dysart] in Colonel Camill's [Campbell's] Regiment against the British as a Dragoon and was wounded in the battle at King's Mountain; had his arm broke and rode a horse; furthermore the said Leonard Hice saith on oath that he had been drafted on scouting parties against the Indians -- the length of times not recollected but thinks them all in it together with the four [towers mentioned above] would amount to over three years &c.

Sworn to and subscribed to the 6<sup>th</sup> of October 1832.

Attest: S/ Abner Payne, J. P.

Leonard Hice, H. his mark

Mr. Hice says the battle of kings mountain was in the year 1780 –

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State of North Carolina Burke County

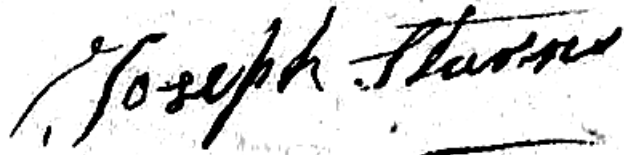
This day came Joseph Staren [sic] Senior before me and saith on oath that he saw the said Leonard Hice in the Army at Kings Mountain in Colonel Campbell's Regiment and knows that his arm was broken in the battle. That he had dressed the same – and furthermore saith that he new [knew] the said Hice did serve several towers against the Indians and what was called the Toreys [Tories].

Sworn to and subscribed the day and date above written

Test

S/ A. Payne, JP

S/ Joseph Starns<sup>6</sup>



[Attested October 8, 1832 in Burke County North Carolina]

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State of North Carolina Haywood County

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1839 before me, the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Haywood personally appeared Leonard Hise who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Captain Dysart in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Campbell in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the Pension Roll of the State of North Carolina that he received a Certificate of that fact under the signature & seal of the Secretary of War which Certificate after he received it he deposited for safekeeping in the hands of R. C. Pearson Esquire of Morganton who The same until within the last 10 or 12 months, when at the request of my Friend and Relation William Sitton of this County he enclosed it to him by mail – that at the time it should have come to hand I was myself absent, and Mr. Sitton died before my return – I have had repeated searches made amongst his Papers and have been unable to find it. I hope therefore the Department will furnish

<sup>6</sup> [Joseph Starns \(Starnes, Stansis\) S7600](#)

me with a new one as the laws of the original was unexpected [?] and unavoidable by me or anyone else.

Sworn to and subscribed date first above written.

S/ Leonard Hise, X his mark

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