

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Haislip <sup>1</sup>W11232

Catharine Haislip

f75VA

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State of Virginia Fluvanna County: SS

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 1833 personally appeared before the Court of Fluvanna County State of Virginia, John Haislip a resident of the said County and State aged Seventy-three 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 served in the Virginia Militia during the revolutionary war under the following named officers, and as herein stated. To wit. That in the year 1780 (as well as he can recollect) he joined a Company under Captain Thurman [Thomas Thurmond] and served at Albemarle Barracks as a guard to the British prisoners three weeks. He next substituted himself in the place of John Napier in Captain Daniel Tilman's Company and served at the same place the same length of time, to wit three weeks. That Colonel William Fontaine commanded the Regiment & General Bland [Theodorick Bland] the Brigade to which he was attached. That the detachment which served at this place was called out for short periods from the adjoining Counties. That he did not receive regular discharges, but was relieved by other Companies.

That in the year 1780 (the same year he thinks) he marched from the County of Fluvanna in a Company under Captain Leonard Thompson to Richmond, Cabin Point, Petersburg, and various other places in the lower part of Virginia, thence returned to Richmond where he was discharged or relieved by some other Company, having served he thinks over two months – nearly three – That Colonel Richardson commanded the Regiment to which he was attached.

That in the year 1781 in the month of April he marched from the said County of Fluvanna as a substitute for Spencer Haislip in a Company under Captain Tilman to Richmond. That said Captain Tilman commanded said Company only a few weeks, before he was either of arrested or discharged, and the said Haislip was then transferred to some other Company of light infantry the Captain not recollected but was under Major Boyce and served the balance of his term either 2 or 3 months in the whole (he is not positive which) in the lower counties of Virginia under Colonel Dabney and Major Boyce.

That upon his discharge or relief from the last mentioned service, he met Captain Anthony Haden with a Company of militia from Fluvanna, and joined him as a Sergeant, serving his own tour therein. Said Captain Haden, then marched through many of the lower Counties of Virginia, and thence pursued the enemy through the Counties of Culpeper, Orange, Louisa and Fluvanna to Richmond thence to Jamestown & returned near Richmond where he was discharged

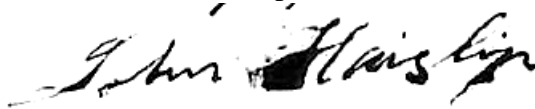
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– after three months service. That Major Campbell and Colonel Dabney commanded this last expedition. That he has no recollection of receiving written discharges, but was generally relieved by other Companies from his own County. The said John Haislip upon his oath as aforesaid further saith, that by reason of the length of time and the uncertainty of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned above, and in the following grades to wit. He served as a private in Captain Thurman's Company twenty-one days, in Captain Tilman's company twenty-one days – In Captain Thompson's Company not less than two months. In Captain Tilman's Company including the services rendered under Major Boyce not less than two months, and as Sergeant in Captain Haden's Company three months for which service he claims a pension. That the Corps with which he served were called into Service (as far as he knows) by Competent Authority. That he was either in the field or in Garrison for the time during which the service was performed, and that he was not employed in any civil pursuit. That he was born in the County of Fairfax Virginia, agreeable to the best information he can obtain about the year 1759. That he has no record of his age. That he resided in the said County of Fluvanna at the times he was called in the service, that he has resided there nearly the whole of his life since – and still resides there. That Pearce W Melton, Daniel Thacker, Robert Kent, and Daniel Lightfoot all persons to whom he is known and who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever 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 and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Haislip



Pearce W Melton,<sup>2</sup> this day personally appeared before me John Winn a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid & made oath that in the year 1780 (as well as he can recollect) he saw John Haislip, marching with a knapsack on his back, within about one mile of Albemarle Barracks where the British prisoners were guarded by our troops. And the said Haislip then informed him that he was then on his way to join the Army stationed at that place. That in the year 1781, he the said Melton marched with said Haislip from Fluvanna in Captain Daniel Tilman's Company to Richmond – that they were transferred to Captain Miller's Company and thence joined Captain Woodfin's Company of Light Infantry, serving altogether in the said three Companies, under Colonel Dabney and Major Boyce in the lower part of Virginia three months. That said Haislip then joined Captain Anthony Haden's Company, but as this affiant then returned home he cannot positively say how long he served therein. From his knowledge how of said Haislip, he is fully satisfied that his statement is true and that credit may be given their 2. That he is the same man & still resides in Fluvanna.

S/ Pearce W Melton, X his mark

Sworn & subscribed this 26 day of August 1833 – and I certify that the said Melton is a credible person.

S/ J. Winn, JP

Daniel Thacker<sup>3</sup> a credible person this day personally appeared before me John Winn a Justice of

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<sup>2</sup> [Pearce W. Melton S11065](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Daniel Thacker S7707](#)

the peace for the County of Fluvanna and made oath that in the year 1781 John Haislip marched from Fluvanna with him in a company under Captain Daniel Tilman to Richmond. That Captain Tilman was discharged and his Company attached to other Companies not particularly recollected, but he thinks, said Haislip served 3 months (principally in Colonel Dabney's Regiment). That they both then served a 3 months tour of duty as stated by said Haislip under Captain Anthony Haden in Colonel Dabney's Regiment.

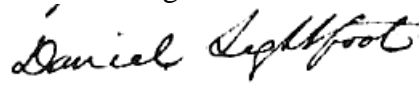
S/ Daniel Thacker, X his mark

Sworn and subscribed the 26 day of August 1833

S/John Winn, JP

Daniel Lightfoot a credible person this day made oath before me John Winn, a Justice of the peace for the County of Fluvanna, that in or about the year 1781 John Haislip served a tour of duty in a Company of militia from Fluvanna under Captain Anthony Haden in the lower part of Virginia. That he the said Lightfoot was a Lieutenant in said Company, and that the said Haislip was a member thereof but Recollect whether he was a Sergeant or a private – nor can he recollect (his memory being much impaired by old age) how long he served – but he is confident said Haislip was in said Company and that Colonel Dabney was the Commandant of the Regiment to which they were attached.

S/ Daniel Lightfoot



Robert Kent<sup>4</sup> a credible person, this day personally appeared before me Guthrie Morris a Justice of the peace for the County of Fluvanna and made oath, that he has been long acquainted with the above named applicant, John Haislip. That he well remembers serving a two months tour of duty with said Haislip in the year 1780 under Captain Leonard Thompson in the lower part of Virginia in Colonel Holt Richardson's Regiment. That said Company marched from Fluvanna – and was discharged in Richmond, having served as aforesaid two months. That he is the same man & now resides in Fluvanna.

S/ Robert Kent



[Isaac Lucado, a clergyman, and Jesse Sanders gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 18: On January 10, 1855 in Fluvanna County Virginia, Catharine Haislip, aged 75 years, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of John Haislip, a revolutionary war pensioner at the time of his death; that she married him August 31<sup>st</sup> 1800 in Fluvanna County Virginia; that her husband died October 15, 1853 in Fluvanna. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 16: Catharine Haislip filed for her bounty land entitlement by application dated April 27, 1855 and filed in Fluvanna County Virginia. In this document she gives her age as 75 years. She

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<sup>4</sup> [Robert Kent W27875](#)

signed her application with her mark.]

[p 9: Copy of a marriage bond issued in Fluvanna County Virginia to John S Haislip & Rene Napier conditioned upon the marriage of John S Haislip to Caty D. Haislip.]

[p 22: on May 12, 1866 in Fluvanna County Virginia, Catharine Haislip, aged 89, filed for the reinstatement of her pension benefit as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner; that her means of subsistence since 1861 has been the hiring of one of her servants, a blacksmith, and from her servants working a piece of land which she rented; that since the end of the "rebellion" she has been mainly dependent upon the charity of friends for a support. She signed this application with her mark.]

[p 31: The widow filed for an increase in her pension by document dated September 9, 1869 filed in Fluvanna County Virginia and giving her age as then 93 years of age. Her pension was increased to \$96 per annum.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 5 months and a Sergeant for 6 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]