Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Uriah Peacock W18744
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State of Georgia and County of Washington}

On this tenth day of December 1832, personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary in said County, in open court Uriah Peacock a resident in the County of Washington and State of Georgia, aged Seventy-four 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 June 7th, 1832 -- That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year (as this deponent believes) 1775 with Samuel Caswell and served in the 4th Regiment of the Line, ¹ under the following named officers: William Caswell was the General Martin Caswell [sic, Lt. Col. Martin Caswell of the Dobbs County Regiment of militia] was Colonel, Samuel Caswell was Captain this deponent enlisted in Dobbs County North Carolina for three years & served the full time was stationed at the City [of] Kingston [sic, Kinston] in the County of Lenoir North Carolina and discharged by Captain Samuel Caswell in the same County, which discharge is lost or mislaid.

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 any Agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

S/T. J. Warthen, JIC

S/ Uriah Peacock

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S/ Silas Floyd, JIC

S/ Samuel Robison, JIC

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State of Georgia Washington County}

On this 22nd day of July personally appeared in Open Court Uriah Peacock a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 75 years of age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

¹ Capt. Samuel Caswell of Dobbs County was a militia captain under the Dobbs Regiment of militia commanded by Col. James Glasgow. http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc patriot military captains.html He is not known to have served in the NC Line.

I enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 with [Lt.] Colonel Martin Caswell and Captain Samuel Caswell in the 4th Regiment as well as my recollection serves me, I lived in Dobbs County in the State of North Carolina when I enlisted for three years and served out my enlistment. I marched from Dobbs County to Kingston in the County of Lenoir from Kingston to New Bern and returned to Kingston and then I received my discharge I served three months after my tour of enlistment was out as a Substitute for William Johnson of Johnson County [sic, Johnston County] North Carolina under General Kinnon [sic, James Kenan], Captain Stephen Sarcer [Stephen Sasser], the troops rendezvoused at [Lt.] Colonel McKinner [William McKinnie] in Wayne County NC and marched to Wilmington. I volunteered under General Kinnon Captain John Whitley as a horseman and served one month. I belonged to the troops that had an engagement at Trent River and should have been in the battle but was that morning called out to guard prisoners. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and I declare my name is not on the pension roll of any State agency. Interry: 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ansr: I was born in the County of Dobbs and State of North Carolina in the year 1758 and on the 4th day of July

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ansr: My age was recorded in my father's family Bible but I do not know where it is. I had my birth day copied from my father's record before I left North Carolina and brought it with me to Georgia

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ansr: I lived in the State of North Carolina when I enlisted in the County of Dobbs where I remained until 1820 and left there on the last day of October of that year and moved to the State of Georgia and County of Washington where I now live

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ansr: I enlisted for three years and then substituted for three months for William Johnson and then volunteered for one month and served in the horse company

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ansr: I have no recollection of the names of any more of the officers than I have stated -- and as for the general circumstances of my services I can say no more than I have said in my declaration 6^{th} Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ansr: I received a discharge from the regular service from Captain Samuel Caswell at Kingston, Lenoir County North Carolina and for my other services I received no discharges. I heard that the soldiers of the Army when I served were to receive their pay at Halifax and sent my discharge there by Joab Ballard one of the soldiers who served in the same Company with myself for him to receive my wages and he died before I saw him after his return I called when he died to get my discharge and the people told me he left no papers within he died as they knew of so I got neither money nor discharge

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ansr: Isaac Smith, James Randle he and Harris Brantley all persons to whom I am known who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my service in the revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Samuel Robison, JIC

S/ Uriah Peacock

S/ Silas Floyd, JIC WC

S/ James Boatright, JIC

S/ John Wicker, JIC

S/ Bryant [indecipherable last name beginning with O], JIC

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I Archibald Peacock² do hereby certify that I am the brother of Uriah Peacock and that I was several times at Camp of the troops when he served at Kingston on Neuse River and I know that he served three years at that time and I served three months tour with my brother under Captain Stephen Sasser and he served the same time and I believe him to be 75 years old.. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Archibald Peacock, X his mark

I John Peacock a Brother of Uriah Peacock do hereby certify that I knew Uriah Peacock when he was in the service at Kingston on Neuse River, and was several times at the Camps when he was I went to carry him his clothes and some times to carry him down a horse back when he had come home and that he served 3 years at that time and I believe him to be 75 years old.

S/John Peacock

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[p 12: copy of marriage bond license issued to Uriah Peacock November 5, 1815 in Johnston County North Carolina for the marriage of Uriah Peacock to Zelpha Hayles of said County.]

[p 14: On July 25, 1853, in Washington County Georgia, Zilphy Peacock, 55 filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Uriah Peacock, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him November 6, 1815; that her husband died November 1, 1846. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Facts in file: the widow's name prior to her marriage was either Zelpha Hayes or Hayles; formerly, she was Zilphia Waddle or Waddel; Moulton Peacock and John Peacock gave testimony in support of the widow's claim, but their relationship, if any, to the veteran is not stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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² Archibald Peacock R8026