

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hayes (Hays) ¹ W21245

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Mary Hayes f32SC

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State of South Carolina York District

This 18th day of March 1846 personally appeared before me, the subscriber one of the acting Magistrates in and for the said District Mary Hayes a resident of the District & State aforesaid aged eighty-one years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, Entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows," Also the benefit of the Act of 3rd March, 1843 and June 17th 1844 –

That she is the widow of John Hayes late deceased of York District South Carolina who was a private Soldier in the South Carolina State Troops in the Army of the Revolution and as such he served the United States against the common enemy that he enlisted into Captain Barnett Company Colonel Hampton's Regiment Sumpter's Brigade of the State troops and served out a tour of duty in said troops & was discharged the length of said Enlistment supposed to be from 12 to 18 months. That besides the above tour of Enlistment he served several tours of duty in the militia and that he was in the Battle of the Eutaw Springs.

She further declares that she was married to the said John Hays on the 10th day of July 1783, and that her husband the aforesaid John Hays died on the 14 day of August 1817 in that she has remained a widow ever since that period.

She also declared that she has a family Record showing the date of her marriage, which was written down many years ago by her late husband and that the same is correct and true, and that the original Record is hereunto appended.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first above written before me

S/ Wm McGill, Magt.

S/ Mary Hayes, X her mark

[p 8: the on May 8, 1855 in York County South Carolina, Mary Hayes, 91, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of John Hayes.]

[p 10: family record:

John Hays was born March fourth 1756

Mary Hays was born January 29th 1765

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John Hays and Mary were married July 10th 1783
Martha Hays was born November 28th 1794 and Departed this life October 24th 1785
Cathren Hays was born March 28th 1786
Mary Hays was born March 25th 1788
Elizebeth Hays was born October 29th 1789 and departed this life September 20th 1790
Martha M Hays was born November seventh 1791
William J Hays was born August 17th 1793
John Hays was born April the 7th 1795
Johnathan Hays was born April 9th 1797
Azubah T Hays was born January 11th 1799
Pheby Hays was born May 20th 1801
Margret Hays was born June 4th 1803

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Comptroller General's Office
Columbia South Carolina April 20th, 1846

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Indent 245} Issued 1st October 1784 to Mr. John Hayes late private in Burns [Peter Burns]
Troop W Wade's Regiment Sumter's brigade, State troops for 94 pounds Sterling being amount
pay and bounty due him for services in that Troop together with interest thereon from 1st April
1782 to date hereof agreeable to resolution of General Assembly of the 11th March last.

Principal £94.0.0 Interest £6.1.11 D

I certify the above to be a true copy from the Records in this office

For Comptroller General
S/ J. Aug. Black²

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State of South Carolina York District: Personally appeared before me the subscribing Magistrate
Robert Wilson³ and after being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the
following affidavit

That he was in the days of the Revolution acquainted with John Hayes late deceased of
York District South Carolina whose widow Mary is now applied for a Pension due her on the
account of the Services of her late husband the aforesaid John Hayes deceased. That he deponent
was a Soldier in the Revolution and knew of his own personal knowledge that the aforesaid John
Hayes was a soldier of the same War. That he deponent knew him the said John Hayes as a
Private Soldier in Sumpter's Troops and was with him at the Battle of Rocky Mount and in the
Battle of Hanging Rock and the reason why he the deponent does so well recollect him the said
John Hayes as a Soldier is that he the said Hayes had a Brother named James who was shot in
time of the War in one of his arms & that him & his brother were together. This said deponent
further declares that he saw the said John Hayes in Sumpter's camp at Haglers or Clems Branch.

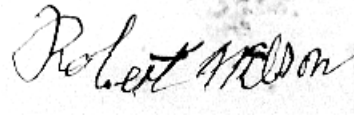
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of April 1846

² This document no longer can be found among the South Carolina audited accounts. There is a filed for a man by
the name of John Hayes but it relates to his service in Nathaniel Martin's company of the 10 months State Troops.
Unfortunately, it is not uncommon to encounter certificates in the federal pension documents relating to service in
South Carolina which can no longer be found in its records.

³ [Robert Wilson W2302](#)

S/ L. Hood, Magt.

S/ Robert Wilson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert Wilson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848.]