

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Haynes W2938

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State of Kentucky Russell County and Circuit Sct.

On this day personally appeared in open court in the Russell Circuit Court being a Court of record for the County & State aforesaid James Haynes Senior age seventy-eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. He states that he was born on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1754 in the County of Caroline in the State of Virginia. That about the year 1751 or 1752 [sic] his father moved from there to Culpeper County in the same State there was a register in his father's family Bible in which his name & age was registered which upon his father's death was in the possession of his brother Benjamin Haynes, that he has not seen it for him more than forty-six years his brother Benjamin lived then on Jackson's River in Botetourt [County] Virginia, but whether his brother is yet alive or the register in existence he does not know but has heard that he is dead. He states that (in 1775 as well as he can now recollect, while he was living in Culpeper County Virginia) he entered the service of the United States as a minute man, he does not know whether it was in the regular service, State line or militia but he voluntarily engaged to perform one year's service on his own account and not as a substitute. He enlisted or engaged himself for one year as a minute man under Captain Abraham Buford (or Bluford) in the County of Culpeper Virginia and the Corps rendezvoused at the Courthouse in said County. This he thinks was in the early part of the year, from thence they were marched to Williamsburg then the seat of Government for the State. He states that he does not recollect the name of his major but remembers that Colonel Woodford [William Woodford] was at sometimes their commander. After they had lain some time at Williamsburg and express came from the Town of Hampton for troops to protect the town, from the attack of the British Shipping lying in the Hampton Roads under Dunmore [John Murray, Lord Dunmore, last Royal Governor of the colony of Virginia], there was a call for 50 men of which number voluntarily he made one of the detachment was commanded by Captain Buford aforesaid, there were some troops at Hampton & the whole were commanded by Colonel Woodford as far as he can ascertain in marching from Williamsburg to Hampton they had to ride a very wet rainy night and the next morning the British Shipping came up and a battle took place in which they ships were driven down & the British repulsed with considerable loss of life & one ship. After remaining there some time he was marched back by a forced march to Williamsburg after lying some time at Williamsburg he was marched across James River crossing above Jamestown at a place called Sandy Point there was a considerable force along & he is unable to state particularly his officers for on this expedition he was occasionally commanded by Colonels Woodford, Scott [probably Charles

Scott], Stephens [probably Edward Stevens or Adam Stephen] & perhaps Bullett [perhaps Thomas Bullett] at least they were all occasionally with them – at some point on their march as well as he can recollect. They were marched down on that side of the River to a place called the long bridge at a little town for which he has heard no name, the American forces threw up a breast work on the upper side of the Creek at the end of the bridge & the British led by Captain Fordyce [Charles Fordyce] crossed the Creek on the bridge & attacked [December 9, 1775] the Americans when the American troops fired and made dreadful havoc among them killing Fordyce & 50 odd men and after burying the dead & taking a little British Fort on the other side of the Creek in one or two days he was marched down to Norfolk, there the troops remained some time & assisted the inhabitants in moving out of the town & was in the town when it was burnt by Dunmore & lay there till in March when he was marched to Suffolk & lay there some time, when the troops many of them being sick he was permitted to return home on furlough, until his health was recruited when he returned and was stationed at old Jamestown commanded by a Captain Clanahan as well as he recollects Captain Buford being promoted to a Major there he stayed until his term of twelve months expired & was discharged verbally by the Captain under a certificate from Major Buford that their term was out whether this certificate which was given for the benefit of himself & fellow soldiers was retained by any of them he does not know for he does not recollect to have seen it since that time. Sometime after this but the year he does not recollect a call was made for 500 militia when he turned out a volunteer under Captain Hill of Culpeper, Colonel Barbour [James Barbour] of Culpeper commander who marched the troops into the North somewhere he thinks in Pennsylvania when Colonel Barbour returned and they were then commanded by Major Roberts, they were marched into Pennsylvania where they were joined & commanded by Colonel Pendleton – they are the detachment which he was in joined the main Army not far from Philadelphia above a place called the rising sun he cannot tell who was his Brigadier general or who was the Commander of the Militia troops General Washington was the Commander in Chief the British were in Philadelphia he states that he was ordered out on a scout at one time while lying there but was in no battle, he continued in service there in camp until General Washington disbanded the militia troops or at least the Corps to which he was attached. He states that he was then marched back directly to Virginia Culpeper Courthouse where he was discharged but whether by Major Roberts or Captain Hill he does not recollect. He got no written discharge, but verbally. He cannot at this time recollect the length of time he spent in actual service on this Campaign. He states they were called out for a six months tour but does not know whether they served that whole time or not, nor can he recollect the year in which he performed this service. After this tour he remained in Culpeper Virginia until the Spring first of April 1779 or 1780 as well as he recollects a call was made for the Virginia militia to go against the Western Indians and a Company was forming in the County of Harrison in which he volunteered & joined the Army in Harrison County, having a brother living there who was going as a volunteer in this Campaign, they were commanded by Lieutenant Michael Trout by Captain Cravens<sup>1</sup> both of Harrison he thinks and the Army commanded by General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh] they marched into Tygarts Valley and their company for some time was engaged in guarding the Fort or block house in which some of the frontier Citizens had fortified themselves the Fort was called George Westfall's Fort not yet having joined General McIntosh's Army, while their orders came from General McIntosh to Captain Cravens to send his Lieutenant and 15 men to guard a Fort on the West fork of the Monongahela [River] above Morgantown [Morganton] they were marched over the mountains to the Fort it was called as well as he recollects Fort

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<sup>1</sup> perhaps Captain Robert Cravens of Augusta County Virginia

Booth. He states that Lieutenant Trout had orders to send out two spies & Rangers. He ordered out him & his brother Joseph Haynes in which service they spent four months of active and arduous duty, for which he was promised one dollar per day but never received any pay for this Campaign. He states that after this time Orders came from General McIntosh to march in they [sic] were marched back under the command of Lieutenant Trout to Harrison Court House & was there discharged by said Captain route, but received no written discharge & they never joined McIntosh or Cravens, who had previously got in & disbanded their forces. He got home in the latter end of October having spent 7 months on the Campaign in all this service he engaged voluntarily & for himself & not as a substitute. He states that in the fall of the year 1781 he left Culpeper & came on adventure to Kentucky & a Call was made for men to go to the falls of the Ohio to assist General Clark [George Rogers Clark] in building forts. He states [he] engaged under Captain Robert Barnet [Robert Barnett] & marched from Carpenter's Station where he lived and rendezvoused at McAfee's Station where Captain Barnett appointed him a Sergeant & marched for the falls (now Louisville) under the command of Colonel John Logan, they marched from thence direct to the level & labored and assisted in building forts, until they were permitted to return by General George Rogers Clark who had the command at the falls they returned across the Country to McAfee's Station commanded by Captain Barnett (Colonel Logan having previously gone home) & was there discharged verbally by Captain Barnett. He states that he marched from Carpenter's Station some time after Christmas sometime in January 1782 & was discharged sometime in May of that year & served on that campaign about 4 months. This service he performed as a volunteer on his own account. He states that after the performance of this service in the year 1782 he returned to Culpeper where he married & settled himself in that part that afterwards was Madison County Virginia from there in the years 1809 or 1810 he emigrated to Kentucky & settled himself on Dick's River Lincoln County Kentucky & in the year 1817 he moved from there & settled in Adair now Russell County where he now lives & has ever since resided. He states that he is known to William Lair Esquire, Joseph Stupp, William Payne, Thomas Kerns and others. He states that he has no documentary evidence, nor does he know whether he can prove his service by any living witness. Captain afterwards Colonel Buford resided in Scott County Kentucky but that he has lately heard he is dead if alive however he is very aged & Mr. Haynes states from his great age & his feeble & dropsical situation he is wholly unable to travel that far and does not believe that it would be possible to get him here if alive Captain (afterwards Colonel) Barnett who is now if alive lives in Madison County Kentucky a very aged man & infirm & his personal attendance would be attended with great difficulty if possible to be obtained. He states that he is wholly unable to attend to collecting proof of actual service if any exists that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. He states that he served in all over two years.

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 the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed this 14<sup>th</sup> of August 1832

Test S/ Bryan W Owsley, Clerk

S/ James Haynes, X his mark

[John Lang, a clergyman, and William Lair gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Kentucky Russell County: SS

Be it remembered that on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 1833 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Russell aforesaid James Haynes a

resident Citizen of the County aforesaid aged 79 years the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January last who being first duly sworn according to law states that in the month of August last he made a declaration in the Honorable Circuit Court for Russell County aforesaid for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 to which declaration he offers this as an amendment. He states in his former declaration through mistake he presumes of the draftsman it is stated that the first tour this declarant served he could not state whether he belonged to the militia or Continentals or State Troops this was a mistake he positively states that he volunteered as a militia man in Culpeper County State of Virginia in the year 1775 for one-year under the officers stated in his former declaration and that he served the full term of one year and was drafted he states that the principal Circumstances of the tour is stated in his former declaration as far as he now recollects and he further states that he served with an embodied Corps called into service by competent authority that he was either in the field or Garrison and for the time during which the service was performed he was not employed in any civil pursuit that he faithfully served in that tour one whole year he states that since filing his original Declaration he has recollected the year he performed the second tour he states that it was in the year 1777 and feels confident it was in the early part of June in that year that he entered the service he states as a reason for so believing he had been several months in service before he was stationed for several weeks at a little town in Pennsylvania then called York and he was at that place at the time the Battle of Germantown was fought which was in October 1777 [October 4, 1777] and he states that he did not obtain his discharge until in December from these circumstances he is able to state that he served full 6 months in the last above mentioned tour. He states that the particular incidents of said tour is as correctly set out in his original declaration as he can recollect he states that his third tour is as correctly stated in his original declaration as he can state only he now well recollects that he entered the service on the first day of April and is confident it was in and about the latter end of October when he was discharged and he now thinks the service was performed in the year 1780 and he states that in this tour he served at least six months and twenty days – the fourth trip on page 9 in his original declaration he says as to the facts they are correctly stated and he is now on in a bold to state that he served for four months in that tour making in the whole a service of two years four months and twenty days all of which service he performed in the militia of the United States in the war of the Revolution under the officers named in his original declaration and that each tour was performed with an embodied Corps called into service by competent authority that he was at the several periods of service always in the field or Garrison and for the time during which the said several tours was performed he was not employed in any Civil pursuits.

Where and in what year were you born

Answer I was born on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1754 in the County of Caroline in the State of Virginia agreeable to the information of my Parents and the register of my age which I have seen in my father's family Bible many years ago all of which I believe true.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Have you any record of your age if so where is it

Answer. I have none there was a record In my father's Bible but I have it not and have made mention of it in my former declaration.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live

Answer. I lived in Culpeper County State of Virginia when I was in service (though afterwards Madison by division). I remained there until the year 1809 or 10 when I moved to Kentucky Lincoln County where I remained until the year 1817 from there I moved to and settled where I now live then Adair County (now Russell by division) where I have lived and have done so ever

since I came.

4. How were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute if a substitute for whom

Answer. I volunteered each and every tour I served being four in number.

5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the General Circumstances of your service.

Answer. I have in my former declaration stated the names of most of the officers who were with the troops where I served as also the general circumstances of my service

6<sup>th</sup>. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Answer. I never received any discharge in writing all my discharges was by my officers but was verbal

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier of the revolution. I have in my original declaration given the names of several gentlemen in addition there too I name the Reverend John lane who has hereto certified for me I now name Christopher Cook, Jacob Oldaker, Doctor John Hutchison and could name a number more all of whom I feel confident would speak well of me as to character and their General Belief of my Service; he states that he has no documentary evidence of his service never having had a written discharge nor does he know of any Person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services the gentleman named in his original declaration are dead. He here begs leave to correct a mistake in the first page of my former declaration where it states that my father moved from Caroline to Culpeper in the year 1751 or 1752. This was a mistake in the draftsman it ought to have been 1758 or 1759, he states it was several years after this declarant was born he recollects the moving and thinks he was 4 or 5 years old. He further states that he is now so infirm from bodily infirmity that he cannot attend Court.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid

S/ William Lair, JP RC

S/ James Haynes, X his mark

[Christopher Cook, John Hutchison and William Payne gave another standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 54: On March 22, 1839 in Russell County Kentucky, Sally Haynes, 74, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of James Haynes, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in July 1785 in Culpeper County Virginia; that her husband died August 13, 1833 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 55: On March 22, 1839 in Russell County Kentucky, John Haynes gave testimony that he was 50 years old on January 28 last; that he is the 2<sup>nd</sup> child of his parents, James & Sally Haynes; that he has an older sister now between the age of 51 and 52.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Haynes". The ink is dark and the paper has a slightly textured, aged appearance. The signature is written in a fluid, connected style typical of the late 18th or early 19th century.

[p 25: On April 27, 1843 in Russell County Kentucky, Sarah Haynes, 78, made application for a

widow's pension under the 1843 act stating that she is the widow of James Haynes, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$80 per annum; she affirms that she is still a widow. She signed this document with her mark

[p 17: On September 4, 1848 in Russell County Kentucky, Sally Haynes, 82, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of James Haynes, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she is now a pensioner and continues a widow. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for two years in the Virginia militia line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]