Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Moore S46010

Transcribed by Will Graves

[State of South Carolina, Fairfield District]

For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an Act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May 1828, I Henry Moore of the District of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, do hereby declare that I was an Officer in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, and served as such until the end of the war. That I was taken prisoner in the surrender of Charleston on the 12th day of May 1780, at which period I was a first Lieutenant, in the South Carolina Continental Regiment of Artillery, being the fourth Battalion of that State in Captain Mitchell's [James Mitchell's] Company, Barnard Beeckman [Bernard Beeckman] Colonel. That I was in the 14th day of Made 1780 appointed and commissioned a Captain Lieutenant in said Corps and ranked and received pay as such ever afterwards. (As per certificate May 9th 1782).

That I remained a prisoner on parole from the fall of Charleston to the end of the War, first at Haddrell's Point to June or July 1781, afterwards at James Town Virginia, then at Philadelphia and finally at Rhode Island, in which State I continued until the conclusion of peace with Great Britain.

And I also declare that I afterwards received Certificates (commonly called a commutation Certificates) for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay as Captain Lieutenant: which sum was offered by the resolve of Congress of the 22nd March 1783, instead of the half pay for life, to which I was entitled under the resolve of the 21st of October 1780.

Witness my hand this 10th day of June A.D. 1828.

S/ Henry Moore

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Honored Sir  

Jackson’s Creek November 11th, 1804

Enclosed is the Depositions of Captain Buchanan [John Buchanan], Major Moore & my own respecting my service During the Revolutionary War, Major Theus [Simeon Theus] has not yet answered my letter at least it has not as yet come to hand. I am Determined not to Dig [?]

1 BLWt272-200
2 Addressee is not shown
to Urge him further on the business Even Should I lose my Claim by it – My whole trust and Dependence therefore Rest on you & Since you have been kind Enough to promise me your Interest & to take my Case in hand. I have no Doubt but that you will Accomplish it in my favor – You will know that General Henderson [William Henderson], & Major Samuel Taylor of Touglow are both Dead, those were the field Officers of the Sixth Regiment at the time of its Derangement. Were they living I would have no Difficulty in procuring a proper Certificate – When last I had the pleasure of seeing you we were speaking of Major Moore’s Confinement at Haddrell’s Point. I had not then recalled it clearly – but on further Recollection I Remember him well. What brings this to my mind was a Duell [duel] between Lieutenant Birdd [Budd? Bird?]² & Captain Weekley [? Weakley?] (Generally Called by the Officers Bravo) Major Moore was Second to Birdd. I recollect some time afterwards he was sent Norwardly [northwardly] – I hope this will find you in good health and that you may long continue in that State.

I am Honorable Sir with sincere esteem
your most Obedient Humble Servant
S/ H. Milling [Hugh Milling]⁴

[Belmont August 29 1804 Union District]
I certify that Henry Moore was a Lieutenant in the Regiment of Artillery raised in the State of South Carolina & on Continental establishment & that he was made a Prisoner upon the capture of Charleston & never resigned his Commission. I furthermore certify that he is now alive & is Sheriff of the District of Fairfield in the State of South Carolina.
S/ J. F. Grimke⁵ Lt. Col. of Arty. in the Revolutionary War

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
9 July 1828
Henry Moore of __ of the District of __ in the County of Fairfield__ in the State of South

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⁴ Hugh Milling S46394 It is not clear why this letter was included in this file other than its reference to a “Major Moore”. None of the other documents listed in the letter are among the papers in this file.
⁵ John Faucheraud Grimke W11088
Carolina has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that was an officer in the Continental line, and served as such to the end of the war, at which period he was a Captain Lieutenant in the Artillery regiment of the South Carolina line; and that he received commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and, further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March 1826, nothing dollars, paid to him by the agent in the State of __

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
10th July 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that final settlement certificates had been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to Henry Moore – Lieutenant of Artillery in the South Carolina line, amounting to Two Thousand dollars.

It further appears that Henry Moore is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3 March 1826, at the rate of __ per month.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

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Commission in favor of Henry Moore as Lieutenant South Carolina Regiment of Artillery dated 26 October 1778
Commission for same as Adjutant in same Regiment dated 20 October 1777. – Certificate from B. Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] Secretary of War in favor of same as Captain Lieutenant dated 9 May 1782

[p 5 certificate signed by John R. Buchanan, Judge of Ordinary, dated December 13, 1843 stating that Henry Moore departed this life July 13, 1843 and that William Moore, Jane S. Caldwell, Peggy Yongue & Harriet Watson were his only living children at the time of his death.]

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State of South Carolina Fairfield District: At a Court of Ordinary held for the District of Fairfield and State aforesaid on the 13th day of December 1843 personally appeared in open Court William Moore Executor of the last will and Testament of Henry Moore a Revolutionary officer and Pensioner late of said District deceased who being duly sworn according to law makes the following declaration for the purpose of obtaining from the United States a certain amount of pension and believed to be due his late father, Henry Moore under the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 and yet unpaid. He says to the best of his knowledge and belief his late father was a Lieutenant of the South Carolina Line of the Army of the Revolution and the Adjutant of one of the Regiments the number of the Regiment he does not know but believes he was in a Regiment commanded at one time by a Colonel Roberts after his death by Lieutenant Colonel John F.
Grimke and in addition to his Rank as Lieutenant he held the staff appointment of Adjutant the precise time he served as Adjutant he knows not but states that he became a prisoner of War at the surrender of Charleston and was amongst the prisoners paroled at Haddrell's Point, that he served to the end of the war, either in active service war on parole as a Prisoner of War he has no doubt, that his late Father drew an annuity from the United States of $400 per year under the Act of Congress of 15th of May 1828 and that he believes there are on the files of the Department at Washington City for which his Claim was passed vouchers of some kind Commission Certificates &c &c that would furnish some evidence in support of his said claim that otherwise he knows not at this late day where to find documentary evidence unless it be in some of the departments at Washington City or at Columbia South Carolina. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Thomas Burrell this 13th day of December 1843. In some of the departments at Washington City in Columbia I find the foregoing receipt of Indents as per Lovells Certificate on the first page of this Shat [?]. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court on the day and year above Written.
S/ John R. Buchanan, Ordinary

S/ William Moore

[p 5 there is a certificate from the South Carolina Comptrollers office dated December 5, 1843 indicating that in Indent Book A No. 171 there is an indent showing payments made on July 4, 1783 to Lieutenant Henry Moore of the South Carolina Continental Regiment of Artillery 737 pounds 6 shillings & 8 pence together with interest of 151 pounds 12 shillings and 3 pence.]