Pension application of Andrew Walker S7830
Transcribed by Will Graves

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[The following transcript has been heavily edited for spelling and grammar: use it with extreme care as the interpretations of intent of the applicant are suspect. As an example of the challenges presented by this application, I have included a literal transcript of the first application followed by my attempt to decipher it.]

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State of North Carolina
Mecktingburg County

On this 8 day of November 1832 parsonley apeared before me John Walker one of the acten Justes in sd County at his owne House Andrew Walker aresident of said County and state aforesaid aged about 76 years who being first duly sworn acording to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provitions maid by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he Entered the Sarves of the united Stails sarves as folows in 1775 I hired myself and Wagen and teem in in Charts town three weeks then the named offisers as folows in 1775 I vollenteerd under Cpt Hegans and Ezacal and went to princes fort after the Ingians a tower of six Weeks with my Wagan and teem I vollenteered onder the same offisers a tower of one month to Crosscreek With my Wagan and teem When the Scotchs atempted to Rise then vollenteared atower of too monce Cpt Hegans (or thomes poke) I took Wagen and teem to Wilmintown When the british first maid thare apearns at fort Jonston then Drafted onder the same offisers atower of three months After the Cherekees ingans With my Wagan and teem when I Went to the Cherakes towns I Had a good Horse stole that I Never got again—then I vollenteared in 1780 atower of too monce in Cpt Robert Davis Compynay With mager Davey when We Defeted the torys in Walcobs Laane soon after Retreeted over the adkin River three Weeks When jenrel Davison succeeded to com back to Mecklinburg County With his party When the Brittes Was in Charlotte in his camps I sarved as aquarter master too months Captn Jams Hart Can sarty that We Was mostly in North Carolina & sam times in South Carolina as Near as I Can Recalect one year and fore week I Relinqusts Evry Claim Whatears to a penstun axsept the presant in any agency in any State Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Walker, JP

S/ Andrew Walker, X his mark

Interrogatory
Whare and in what year Ware you born I Was born in December the 5 day 1756 in the County of Entrom in Ireland then Came to Charts town at 11 years old and Lived in south Carolina 5 years then came to North Carolina have you any Record of your age and if so Whare is it I Have a Record of my age in my one house Ware Was you living When cald into sarves Ware have you lived since the Revolutionry War and Whare do you now live I lived in the County of
Mecklingburg and Stait of North Carolina Wen Cawled in to saves and livs in the same place Ever since how Ware you called into sarvice Was you I Was a vollentear and Was Drafted vollen tired under mager Davy (or thomes polk Jenreal Davison this was Commandin offiser I never Did Recive no discarg from anny of them

State of south Carolina Lancaster District I bileve the sd Aplicant to be the age that he states and I parcenty noing to his sarvs under Cp Robert Davis mager Davy When We Defeted toreys in Walker Lane and Parsoly noing to that too mo[nths] tower to be true and I beleve what the appicant states to be true sworn to and asinede

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S/ John Walker, JP
S/ Thomas Walker {seal}
S/ James Huey, {seal}
S/ John McAin

State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County
On this 8th day of November 1832 personally appeared before me John Walker one of the acting Justices in said County at his own residence Andrew Walker a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged about 76 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 entered the service of the United States service as follows:

in 1775 [I] hired myself and wagon and team in Charts town [sic, Charlotte] [for] three weeks, then the named officers as follows in 1775 volunteered under Captain Hegans [sic, John William Hagan] and Col. Ezekiel Polk, [we] went to Prince's Fort after the Indians a tour of six weeks with my wagon and team; I volunteered under the same officers a tour of one month to Cross Creek with my wagon and team when the Scotch attempted to Rise, then volunteered a tour of two months [under] Captain Hegans (or Thomas Poke [sic, Thomas Polk]) took [my] wagon and team to Wilmington when the British first made their appearance at Fort Jonston [sic, Fort Johnson] [I was] then Drafted under the same officers [for] a tour of three months after the Cherokee Indians with my wagon and team and when I went to the Cherokee towns I had a good Horse stolen that I never got again – then I volunteered in 1780 [for] a tour of two months in Captain Robert Davis's Company with Major Davey [sic, William Richardson Davie] when we Defeated the Tories in Walcob's Laane [sic Walker's Lane or Walkup's Lane, September 21,
1780]2 [we] soon after Retreated over the Adkin River [sic, Yadkin River] three weeks when General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] succeeded to come back to Mecklenburg County with his party when the British were in Charlotte; in his camp served as a quarter master two months. Captain James Hart can certify that.

We he was mostly in North Carolina & sometimes in South Carolina as near as I can recollect one year and four weeks. I Relinquish every Claim whatever to a pension except the present and any agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Walker, JP

S/ Andrew Walker, X his mark

Interrogatory
Where and in what year were you born?
I was born in December the 5th day 1756 in the County of Antrim in Ireland then came to Charleston at 11 years old and lived in South Carolina five years then came to North Carolina.

Have you any Record of your age and if so where is it?
I have a Record of my age in my own house.

Where were you living when called into service, Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?
I lived in the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina when called into service and have lived in the same place ever since

How were you called into service, were you [drafted]?
I was a volunteer and I was drafted volunteered under Major Davie (or Thomas Polk), General Davidson, these were the Commanding officers. I never did receive a discharge from any of them.

State of South Carolina, Lancaster District
I believe the said applicant to be the age that he states and I personally know that he served under Captain Robert Davis, Major Davy when we defeated the Tories in Walker's Lane and personally know that the two month tour he claims is true and I believe what the applicant states to be true.

Sworn to and signed
State North Carolina, Mecklenburg County
We John McCain, Thomas walk or of the County and State aforesaid we do hereby certify that we know Andrew Walker to be a soldier of the Revolutionary War and believe what he has stated to be true. John McCain states further he personally knows of the service to Prince's Fort and to the three months tour after the Cherokee Indians under Captain Hagen, Colonel Ezekiel Polk. Sworn to and signed.

S/ Thomas Walker {seal}
S/ John Walker, JP
S/ James Huey {seal}
S/ John McCain

State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County
On this the 14th day of January 1834 personally appeared Before me John M. Ingram one of the acting Justices of the peace in said County Andrew Walker of the State and County aforesaid aged 77 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein Stated he entered the Service of the United States in July 1775 as a volunteer under

Captain William Hagans and served a Tour of four weeks in Colonel Ezekiel Polk's Regiment the number not Recollected and in that Tour he marched from Mecklenburg County N. C. through South Carolina to Princes Fort in South Carolina and was stationed in the Fort about two weeks and thence marched back to Mecklenburg County N. C. and was discharged in August 1775 verbally by Captain Hagans, and in September 1775 he was Drafted and served a Tour of three months under the same Captain Hagans in Colonel Robert Irwin ['s Regiment] and in that Tour he marched from Mecklenburg County N. C. on to the Cherokee Nation after the Indians and was about two months in the Nation and then he marched back to North Carolina and was discharged at the Pleasant Garden N. C. in December 1775 and then he returned to Mecklenburg County and in the spring of 1776 he volunteered under Captain Hagans and Served a tour of six weeks and in this Tour he marched from Mecklenburg County N. C. on to Fayetteville N. C. and then back to Mecklenburg County and was discharged in Mecklenburg NC: in he thinks July 1776 and he thinks in August 1776 he volunteered under Captain Hagans and served a Tour of three months and in that Tour he marched through North Carolina on to Wilmington and to Fort Johnston [sic, and Fort Johnson] and was stationed a while at Wilmington and also at Fort Johnson and then he returned back to Mecklenburg County and was discharged in November he thinks 1776 and then in the year 1780 the first of September he volunteered under Captain Robert Davice [sic, Davis?] and Served a Tour of three months and in that Tour they reconnoitered the Enemy through Mecklenburg N. C. and Lancaster District S. C. and was in the Scrimmage at Walkups Mills on the Waxhaw Creek in N. C. and about this time Cornwallis Came on through Mecklenburg and he Retreated under Captain Menite [sic, McKnight?] over the Yadkin River and was there stationed about three weeks and then he Returned back to Mecklenburg with General Davidson and Served as quarter master under General Davidson and was discharged by General Davidson on McCowpens Creek [sic, McAlpine's Creek?] in Mecklenburg County in March 1781 then in May he thinks he Received the Commission of Captain from Colonel Robert Irwin and Commanded a company 12 months under Colonel Irwin and, in that 12 months with Colonel Irwin's Regiment [he went] through North Carolina and South Carolina and until May 1782 and he served in all 26 months. He hereby Relinquishes Every Claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity Except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency in any State. Sworn to and Subscribed Before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Andrew Walker, X his mark

State of North Carolina, Mac from Burke County

On this 14th day of January 1834 personally appeared Before me John M. Ingram one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said County John Mc Ain Senior aged 80 years and Thomas Walker, aged 75 years and James Huey age 75 years and after being duly sworn according to law saith on oath that they were well acquainted with Andrew Walker who subscribed and swore to the above declaration in the Revolutionary War and John McCain was with him in the two first tours to Prince's Fort and to the Cherokee Nation and his statement relative to his hole [sic, whole] service is he believes as true and he was also knowing to his having the Command of a Company as a Captain and Thomas Walker & James Huey also saith on oath that they were known to his Being a Captain of a company and from their personal knowledge of his Service as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War Believe he served as he states Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John M. Ingram, JP
S/ John Mc Ain
S/ Thomas Walker
S/ James Huey

[Zacariah [sic] Sternes, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]
Where and in which year was you Born?[?] I was Born in Ireland in the County Antrim in 1756 and came to America at about 11 years of age. Have you any Record of your age and if so where is it?[?] I have a Record of my age in my Bible. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?[?] I lived in Mecklenburg County N. C. when called into service and have lived there ever since the Revolution War. I now live in the same place. How were you called into Service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?[?] I volunteered and was drafted. Did you ever receive a commission and if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it?[?] I did Receive a Commission of Captain and it was signed by Colonel Robert Irwin and it is finally lost or so mislaid so as I cannot lay my hands on it.

S/ Andrew Walker, X his mark

[p 41- another application, this one dated June 7, 1834, given by Walker before John M. Ingram, and substantially identical to the January 14, 1834 application. In the affidavit in support of this application, John McAin, Thomas Walker and James Huey again give supporting statements except in this affidavit, Huey says: “...he was with him [Andrew Walker] in the Tour of three monts [sic, months] under Capt. Davis at the fite [sic, fight] at Walkwits mills [sic, Walkup's Mills a/k/a Wahab’s Plantation] ....”]

[p 5: On August 27, 1855 in Union County North Carolina John Walker gave testimony that he is now in his 75th year of his age and is the son of Captain Andrew Walker; that his Father always told him that he served as a Captain in a campaign against the Indians and Tories and later as a Captain in a skirmish with the Tories at Wahab’s plantation; that his father died in the year 1845; that he is filing this document seeking to obtain the full pension due his father.

John Walker

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of $40 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina militia.]