State of North Carolina New Hanover County:

On this the 25th day of October A.D. 1832 personally appeared before me John Kerr one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for the County of New Hanover aforesaid, Robert Cook a resident of New Hanover County in the State of North Carolina aged seventy-eight or seventy-nine 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 this applicant believes, with Michael Minon and served in the 1st Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named officers; General James Moore, Adjutant DeKeizer [sic, Lehancius De Keyser], Captain William Davis, when he first entered, that William Davis was subsequently promoted to the grade of Major, and that one Hogg [Thomas Hogg] then took command as Captain of the company to which this applicant belonged, John Lillington Lieutenant at first and afterwards Armstrong, Peter Carpenter 1st Sergeant, James Carver 2nd —— Baldwin one of the corporals; that he thinks he left the service in March 1776; that he resided in New Hanover County North Carolina when he entered the service; that he was in no battle; that his marches were as follows; he rendezvoused a small distance below Wilmington and marched to the first place of Old Brunswick where he was stationed in hearing the Tories were marching down from above, he marched to the West side of Cape Fear to Rockfish Creek, about eight miles below where Fayetteville now is, then called Cross Creek, that having heard while he was at Rockfish, that the Tories had crossed over Campbleton, he was marched down to Elizabeth Town in Bladen County, that he took boating at Elizabeth Town and went down Cape Fear to Dollison’s Ferry where he disembarked and then marched up to Moore's Creek bridge where he arrived the same day the battle was fought at that place through after it was over, that from Moore's Creek bridge he marched to Wilmington and from thence to Brunswick Town or Old Brunswick in Brunswick County from thence to Fort Johnson, and from thence he was marched back to Wilmington where he was discharged, having served six months & fourteen days.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.
Wilmington May 14, 1776

These may Certify that Robert Cooke a Soldier in Captain Davis's Company of the first Regiment is herebye discharge from the Service – He having served out his Term of inlistment

F. Nash – Colº

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[John Kerr and Patrick Murphy gave a standard supporting affidavit although they noted that they had only known the veteran for a short time.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of $21.55 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for six]