

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John Hogg R5105

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State of Virginia County of Albemarle Sct

On this 16th day of October, 1832, personally appeared in open Court before Lucas P. Thompson, Judge of the circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery now sitting, John Hogg, aged sixty nine years on the 5th day of last September - 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.

He says that he was born in the County of Hanover, State of Virginia, and at an early aged removed to the County of Albemarle, and lived here ever since — about the 16th day of January 1781 he was drafted in the Militia service, and marched from said County of Albemarle, under Capt. John Harris, Lieutenant Raalph Thomas [Ralph Thomas], Lieutenant Thomas Jones, William Jarman Ensign. He marched to Richmond where he drew arms &c. thence to Williamsburg thence to the half way house between York and Hampton where he was stationed some time, and returned to Williamsburg, thence again to Richmond, where he was discharged. He returned home about the 2nd of March 1781 — He was again drafted on the 4th of May 1781 and marched under Captain Nicholas Hamner. He forgets the Lieutenant's name, as he staid with him but a short time, when he was ordered to Albemarle old Barracks. the Ensign was Charles Hudson. He marched to the neighbourhood of Richmond, where he joined the army under LaFayette, whence he marched with the Army in what was called the "Wild goose Chase" towards Fredericksburg and at the Raccoon ford in the Rappid Ann [sic: Rapidan River] General Wayne's forces joined us [Anthony Wayne, 10 Jun 1781] - thence through Orange and Louisa into the lower part of this County on Mychunk [sic: Mechunk] creek, thence down the three choped road [sic: Three Chopt Road] down to what was called "Watson's old field" - there he was detached into the Light infantry, under command of Capt. _____ Woodford - Lieutenant Ruffin and ensign Bacon, under command of General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg, but corrected below], thence he marched on to the neighbourhood of Richmond where we had a skirmish with the light horse, thence followed the enemy down to old James Town where we had a smart skermish from about one O'Clock till after sunset [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] - thence in a few days was ordered with Muhlenburg's, Wayne's and [William] Campbell's brigades to march to Goode's bridge in Amelia on Appamatox [sic: Appomattox] River, where he was discharged on the 24th of July 1781. After returning home, in a few days he was called out to rendezvous at Charlottesville and kept as a minute man on station until the surrender of Cornwallis at York [19 Oct 1781] when he was again discharged. The minute men were compelled to do service and be in place, under penalty of serving a six months tour.

He has lost his discharges, having had a written one the last tour and only a verbal one the first - and has no papers, but would refer to the statements of Leonard Drumheller [pension application W5265] and Micajah Bowen [S29643] who were in the service with him.

[signed] John Hogg

Thereupon the following interrogatories were propounded to the applicant by the Court.

Q. Where and in what year were you born?

A I was born in the County of Hanover Va. the 15th Sept. 1763.

Q Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A I have a record of my age in a book at home.

Q Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A When called into service I lived in Albemarle County Va. and removed from said county about 15 years thereafter to the adjoining County of Fluvanna and again removed to the said County of Albemarle about the year 1819 where I now reside.

Q How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute for whom?

A I was drafted on every instance.

- Q 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?
- A In the 1st tour I marched under Capt. John Harris, Lieutenant Ralph Thomas, Lieutenant Thomas Jones and Ensign Wm. Jarman and General [Thomas] Nelson. In the 2^d. tour under Capt. Nicholas Hamner for a few days and thence transfered to the Company commanded by Captain John Burke, Lieutenant White, Regiment commanded by Col. Reuben Lindsay and Major McIlhany [probably James McIlhany], and in a few weeks was transfered to a Company of Light Infantry commanded by Capt. Woodford - Lieutenant Ruffin - Ensign Bacon - Major Boss[?] and Major Hofler [Hoffler?] - Col. Deck [probably Alexander Dick] and General Muhlenburg.
- Q Did you ever receive a discharge from service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?
- A In the 1st tour I received a verbal discharge in the 2^d tour I received a written discharge from General Campbell at Goodes bridge on Appomattox River, Amelia County Va which is lost or mislaid.
- Q State the names of persons to whom you are known in your neighbourhood, who can testify to your character as to veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution?
- A I refer to William Hogg, George Jones, Jno. S Amis who know me and can testify as to my character as to veracity and to Leonard Drumheller and Micajah Bowen as to my services—

Virginia, Albemarle County, Sc:

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace for said County, John Hogg who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service - but, according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below, & in the following grades:

On the 6th day of Jany, 1781, he was drafted as a private for a two months tour and was not discharged till the 22^d day of march, following — his declaration, he observes, speaks of his discharge on the 2^d of March - this is a mistake in the clerk; it should have been the 22^d of March

The colonel who commanded him in this tour was Holt Richardson. The name of the major he has forgotten. Genl. Nelson was the General in command.

On the 4th day of May, 1781, he was again drafted as a private for a two months tour and was not discharged till the 24th day of July, 1781.

He was commanded this tour by Major Mucklehana, and Col. Reuben Lindsay. The name of Mecklenberg has been inserted in the declaration by the clerk, thro' mistake, in the place of Mucklehana.

In august 1781, he was again drafted as a private in a three month's tour, for what was then called a reinforcement. the draft was not later than the 10th of august; he was attached to the company commanded by Lieutenant Wm Feint and Capt. John Grissom. The name of the Ensign he does not recollect. he was detained in Charlottesville & the neighborhood, subject to orders - was finally marched off to join the army; when, on their route in Louisa at the "Byrd ordinary" their march was arrested by tidings of the Surrender of Cornwallis, & he was discharged. this was the 21st Oct 1781 - the surrender being the 19th.

The foregoing several drafts took place at Charlottesville in Albemarle.

And for such service he claims a pension.

Witness my hand this 13th day of August, 1833.

William A Bibb JP