

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Isaac Dehaven: S8318

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State of Virginia

County of Franklin} SS.

On this 18th day of July 1832. personally appeared before me John M Holland, a Justice of the peace for said County, Isaac Dehaven a resident of the said County of Franklin and state of Virginia aged Eighty two years, the 16th of last February, 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 7, 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in June 1776 in Leesburg in the County of Loudoun state of Virginia, ["under" lined through and illegible word written over it] Captain Henry Lee of the Cavalry, and served in the Corps of cavalry under the following named officers as a corporal, viz. Colonel Henry Lee [see note below]. Colonel Bland... majors name not recollected Captains Rudolph. Henry Peyton... that he resided in the County of Loudoun state of Virginia that the night before the battle of Brandy Wine [sic: Brandywine PA, 11 Sep 1777], himself and others of the cavalry had taken a parcel of british prisoners and on the day of the battle he was guarding them, and was consequently prevented from sharing in that battle — that he was in the battle of Germantown [4 Oct 1777] — that he was in several skirmishes with small parties of the British in the vicinity of Philadelphia, the names of the places not recollected - that he was in a battle near Burlington [NJ], or between Burlington and Red Bank, where fourteen of the Hessians were taken prisoners — that he was in an engagement with a party of Hessians not far from Peekskill [NY] on the North river, where he took the commandant of the Hessian forces prisoner, who was call'd a colonel, and where seventeen other prisoners were taken from the enemy — and that he was discharged at Bordentown [NJ] late in the year 1778. he thinks near Christmas — that he march through part of the state of Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey New York, and he thinks through a part of Connecticut — that he obtained a written discharge from Col Henry Lee, which has been either lost or mislaid — 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 any agency of any state

[signed] Isaac Dehaven

NOTES:

Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee entered the military as a captain in 1775 and did not become Lieutenant Colonel until Aug 1779.

The application was supported by affidavits dated 23 July 1832 in Grayson County VA by Jesse and Drewsilla Dehaven, who stated that they understood that Isaac Dehaven served about three years under Capt Henry Lee and that they had seen his discharge.