Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Charles Hamilton R4512 Hannah fn34NC
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State of Kentucky, County of Wayne:

On this the 28th day of March 1839 Personally appeared before me William J. Hardin a Justice of the peace for the County of Wayne and State aforesaid Hannah Hamilton a resident of the County of Wayne and State of Kentucky aged Eighty five years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4, 1836. That she is the widow of Charles Hamilton who volunteered in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Six in the County of Lincoln in the State of North Carolina for the term of Eighteen months and served as an orderly Sergeant in the revolution under Lieutenant George Duff and Captain James Duff and while performing this tour of Eighteen months duty under said officers he was in the Battle of Sullivan's Island, during this whole tour of Eighteen months he held the office of orderly Sergeant under the above named officers but what regiment the Company of Captain James Duff belonged to this declarant does not now recollect, she was not at this time married to the said Hamilton but lived in the same neighborhood. Nor does she now recollect any other battles he the said Hamilton was in during this Eighteen months tour. She further declares that after her marriage to the said Hamilton, that her Husband seemed to be nearly or quite half his time out in the army either after the Tories or the British. She recollects well of his being in the Battle of Ramsour's in North Carolina. He at this time marched under Captain Malcolm Henry and Col John Barbour. in this tour of duty the declarant does not think he the said Hamilton was out very long, but he was so frequently out on skirmishes that she cannot now well recollect how long he served in each tour but the declarant recollects perfectly well of her husband the aforesaid Hamilton being under Captain Malcolm Henry & Colonel John Barbour at the Battle of King's Mountain. The

declarant recollects well meeting her Husband the aforesaid Hamilton on the next day after the Battle within one mile of the Battle ground and found her husband had received a slight wound while in said Battle, the declarant lost two Brothers in this Battle. She further declares she was married to the said Charles Hamilton in Lincoln County in the State of North Carolina by Alexander Gililand Esqr. a Magistrate in the month of December Seventeen Hundred and Seventy Seven (1777). That her Husband the aforesaid Charles Hamilton died on the twenty fourth day of November Eighteen hundred Eighteen and that she has remained a widow ever since that period. And she further declares the aforesaid Charles Hamilton received his discharge for his Eighteen months tour which discharge she has frequently seen (she also recollects of). She further declares she knows of no record of her marriage or of the age of her children. She further declares that her Husband the aforesaid Charles Hamilton made out a declaration for a pension in the year of Eighteen hundred & Eighteen and handed it to a Colonel Qualls [sic, Tunstall Quarles] then a member of Congress from the State of Kentucky which declaration and proof she presumes was handed by said Quarles to the war department but whether they were ever acted on or not she has never heard as her husband died before Mr. Quarles's return from Washington City. Hannah Hamilton, X her mark

[fn p.4: Mary Henry gave testimony on March 28, 1839 in Monroe County Indiana that she is 77 years old; that she was personally acquainted with Charles Hamilton and Hannah Henry and was living a neighbor to them at the time of their marriage in Lincoln County North Carolina in 1777.]

[fn p. 5: Joseph H Hamilton of Wayne County Kentucky gave testimony on the same date that he is 40 years old, is the son of Charles and Hannah Hamilton; that his father died November 24, 1818; that his mother remains a widow; that his oldest sister Sarah Laer is now 61 years old; that his brother William Hamilton if living would be 60 years old; that his brother John is now 58 years old; his sister Anna Whitaker is 56 years old.

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[fn p. 32] State of Kentucky Wayne County: SS

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On this 28th day of September 1843 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for said County Mrs. Hannah Hamilton aged eighty-five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836. That she is the widow of Charles Hamilton who was a Soldier of the Revolution, he entered the service in the fall of the year 1775 and served a tour of 18 months and obtained a discharge which she has frequently read, but has been destroyed by the burning of her house many years ago – he was a considerable portion of his time thereafter in the Service until or near the close of the War – he served under Captain John Barber in the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Williams and afterwards by Colonel Brandon, he was in the battle of Sullivan's Island, Kings Mountain, Eutaw Springs and

hanging rock, The public records will doubtless show many of the particulars of his Services, and to them she refers for further evidence.

She further declares that she was married to the said Charles Hamilton on the 23rd day of December 1777, that her husband the aforesaid Charles Hamilton died on the 24th of November 1818. And that she has remained a widow ever since that period.

S/ Hannah Hamilton, X her mark

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State of Kentucky Wayne County: Sct

On this 28th day of March 1845 personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County John Parmley aged about Seventy-eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statements touching the services &c of Charles Hamilton who was a Soldier of the Revolutionary War – he states that he was well acquainted with the said Charles Hamilton when he entered the service in said War shortly after the Commencement and with the exception of a few months at different intervals served until the close of the war – he states that the said Charles Hamilton entered the service in Lincoln County in the State of North Carolina, he further states that he served in said War nine months during which time he frequently saw said Charles Hamilton in the service – he also was well acquainted with Colonel Williams under whom said Charles Hamilton served – the said John Parmlev further states that after he (Parmley) served out his nine months in the said War, the said Charles Hamilton continued in the Service until the war closed – he further states that during the War, or at the time he was with said Hamilton while in service, and also after the said Hamilton came to the County of Wayne Kentucky, he frequently heard him speak of being in the battle at Kings Mountain, Hanging Rock, Eutaw Springs and at Camden when Gates was defeated and at the Guilford Battle.

He further states that the said Charles Hamilton departed this life in the County of Wayne State of Kentucky some several years ago.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 28th March 1845 S/W. P. Hardin, JPWC S/John Parmley, X his mark

¹ This is probably the same man as **Parmly (Parmley) S30637**