Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Hardin R4594

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[A note dated 24 Apr 1927 on the following document states that it had been in the file of Thomas Hardin W8916. No application for the present Thomas Hardin predating this document was found.]

County of Charleton } Ss.

State of Missouri }

On this 13th day of January in the year 1823 before me James Semple a Justice of the peace in and for said county personally appeared Thomas Hardin who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain Jonathan Clarke [sic: Jonathan Clark VAS2169, company raised in Dunmore (now Shenandoah) County VA] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Mulenbergh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850], in the service of the United States during the Revolutionary War, that Captain Clarke's company after his promotion [to Major, 10 Jan 1778] was commanded by Captain Cohorn and the Regiment was commanded by Colo. John Green [BLWt866-500], that he is informed by a letter from Mr J L Edwards [Commissioner of Pensions] that his name was placed on the pension roll of the state Kentucky, that his certificate was forwarded to William Winslow Esqr. [agent for Thomas Hardin W8916] Port William Kentucky and which certificate has never been recieved by the said Thomas Hardin. Subscribed and sworn to before me the day & year aforesaid/ James Semple J.P.

APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFER

State of Missouri County of Charlton SS.

On this thirteenth day of January 1823, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the said county of Charlton personally appeared Thomas Hardin who, on his oath, declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captains Jon. Clark & Cohorn in the regiment commanded by Colonels Mulenburgh & Green in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the state of Kentucky that he now resides in the state of Missouri where he intends to remain, and wishes his pension to be there payable, in future. That he at present receives [blank] dollars per month.

James Semple J.P.

County of Howard } Ss State of Missouri }

On this seventeenth day of October 1825 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record in and for the County of Howard aforesaid Thomas Hardin resident in said County aged seventy six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820, that he the said Thomas Hardin enlisted for the term of one year on the 11th day of February 1776 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Jonathan Clark in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Mullinburg in the line of the state of Virginia on the continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said corps until 1778 in the month of February when he was discharged from the said service at Valley forge in the state of Pennsylvania; that he entered into service in the militia of the state of Virginia in 1779 in which he served four tours of duty of three months each campaign or thereabouts, that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777] and Trenton [26 Dec 1776] and that he has no other evidence now in his power (having lost his discharge and

other papers) of his said services than his own oath.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

1 Negro woman aged 59 years worth \$50.00
1 Negro man aged 25 years worth 400.00
1 Mare & Colt worth 40.00
1 Bay horse worth 10.00
debts due me by different persons 150.00

This declarant is by occupation a farmer he has not been able to work at or pursue the said occupation for twenty years in consequence of bodily affliction, he has two small grandchildren residing with him who have no other way of living than by the pittance that this declarant can share with them they being orphans their names are Moses aged 9 years and John aged 6 years. This declarant further sayeth that it is with the utmost difficulty that he can support himself, his wife who is 70 years old and his said grand children and after all his exertions having no possible support than the labour of the negro man named in the said schedule (the negro woman being rather an expense than an assistance to him) he is often dependant on his neighbors for their kind assistance. this declarant if a pension is allowed him wishes to be placed on the Kentucky agency.

(signed) Thomas Hardin

[The following note and signature are in the same handwriting, apparently not that of Hardin.] Howard County Mo. nov 1st 1825

D Sir, I have sent the copy of the declaration made on oath by me, certified by the Judge and Clerk of the Howard Circuit Court. I wish to be placed on the Kentucky list, as I have an attorney in fact on Louisville appointed for that purpose, I hope you will send the Certificate of my being placed on the pension list, either to him (J. W. Semple) at [Lo]uisville Ky. or to me in this County and oblige your hum'l. Serv't. Hon'l. James Barbour/ Secr'y. of war/ washington

[The following is from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

Thomas Hardin of Howard County Missouri aged seventy six years being duely sworn upon his oath sayeth, that he was a [undeciphered word] citizen of the state of virginia in the year 1776 when he enlisted in the regular service in the continental establishment in the company commanded by Capt Jonathan Clarke in the regiment commanded by Colo Peter Mulenberg being the old eighth regiment in the virginia line that he continued in the said service until 1777 when he was discharged at Valley Forge in the state of Pennsylvania. That he was in the battles of Brandywine, Trenton and German town, that in consequence of his loosing his discharge he never made application for and never received his bounty land which he was entitled to. that he has no other way in his power at this time of proving his said services except by his own oath which he now does in order to obtain his legal bounty in land [undeciphered] to the provisions of law.

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