Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Warren S31453 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[p 3] State of Kentucky, Green County} Sct.

On this 16th day of June 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Green County Court now sitting Hugh Warren a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 70 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That in the Spring or first of the Summer of the year 1779 as well as he now recollects (though of the date of the year he cannot speak with certainty) in the District of 96 [Ninety Six], State of South Carolina he volunteered and entered the service of the United States as a private soldier under the command of Captain Deanis Tramell [sic, Dennis Tramell], that to the best of his recollection he was two years under the orders of Captain Tramell from the time he first entered into service under his command, that when he volunteered and joined Captain Tramell's company he does not recollect that it was for any certain period of time, that he considered himself bound to serve when called upon, and that he did serve according to the orders of his Captain whenever his services were followed necessary, that all his services under Captain Tramell were rendered in short tours of some one to two or three weeks each tour; that after serving one of these short tours he generally returned home and remained at home generally a few days before he started on another tour; but that he does not now think he was ever longer than one week or at furthest ten days at home at any one time during the two years he was under the orders of Captain Tramell; and very often his stay at home did not exceed two or three days; that he lived in what was then called the District of 96 about 12 miles from Waugford's Iron Works [sic, Wofford's Iron Works] and within less than a mile of Pacolet River and he thinks it was called 80 miles from where lived to the Town and Fort of 96-- that he served against the British, Indians and Tories but chiefly of against the Tories, that all his service under Captain Tramell was rendered in the District of 96; that in his scouting tours of service is generally marched from 40 to 80 miles from his place of residence, that the most of his service was rendered on the waters of Pacolet, Tiger [sic, Tyger], Saluda and Broad Rivers, which Rivers they frequently crossed in their marches; that he cannot now give the precise length of any of these short tours of service, that from loss of memory it is not possible for him now to give any better description of these short tours of service that he has done above, he cannot now even recollect how many of them he served, nor what length of time he was at home during the two years, but he knows that he was not during the two years employed in any civil pursuit, and that he spent the whole of his time during the two years in service of short tours, remaining at home a few days at the end of each tour as above set forth – that he never had any written discharge from Captain Tramell—

That he again volunteered in the District of 96 State of South Carolina and entered into

service under Captain Jeremiah Dickson, Anthony Colter [Anthony Coulter] was a Lieutenant & John Roebuck [probably Benjamin Roebuck] was Colonel; he marched under the command of said officers against the British and Tories through the Country around 96. The Town of 96 was then in possession of the enemy, and they endeavored to draw the enemy off from the Town by marching through the Country around it this could not however be effected; he served four weeks as a private in the militia and was then verbally discharged and returned home he cannot speak of the date of this or any of his other tours of service with any degree of certainty owing to the loss of memory: but as well as he can recollect it was in the year 1781 and about the month of July when he entered upon the last mentioned tour.

That a short time after the tour last named, he volunteered again and entered into service in the District of 96 South Carolina under the command of Captain Jeremiah Dickson, John Roebuck was the Colonel, as near as he can now recollect it was in the month of August in the year 1781, he marched against the British and Tories through the Country lying between his residence and the Town of 96 and had a slight skirmish with the enemy commanded by a Tory named Cunningham [William Cunningham, a.k.a. William "Bloody Bill" Cunningham], but it was slight and no lives were lost he served three weeks and was then discharged verbally and returned home.

That in the month of September as well as he recollects and in the year 1781 in the District of 96 he was drafted for a tour of three months and entered into service in Captain Colter's Company John Roebuck was Colonel and John Ford was Major, that they marched to reinforce General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] who was then near Charleston, they joined General Greene's Army a short distance from a fortification called a blockhouse then in possession of the enemy, they were there stationed under General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] about half a mile from General Greene's encampment; that he was drafted and entered into service for a tour of three months, but his service was not that long required, and he served eight weeks and was then verbally discharged and returned home.

That in the latter part of the year 1781 as well as he now recollects, in the District of 96 South Carolina he was drafted and entered into Service in Captain Anthony Colter's company the Lieutenant was William Dickson, he marched against the Indians across the River Savannah near its head, thence into the Indian nation, visited and destroyed two small Towns, killed a few Indians and one white man by the name of Crittenden who was with them, the officers under whom he served he understood to be under the orders of General Pickens, the precise length of this tour of service he cannot now recollect but he feels certain it was not less than four weeks; he had no written discharge.

That in the month of January in the year 1782 to the best of his recollection, in the District of 96 State of South Carolina he volunteered and entered into the service in Captain Parsons' company, Parsons he understood to be under the command of Col. Roebuck, he marched under said Captain against the Indians to the head of the Tyger River and was there stationed, from that station he marched against the Indians at the least have a dozen short Tours he started from the station each time and after reconnoitering the Indian Country around it returned to the station each time, but he was the most of the time at the station, that he served under Captain Parsons at the Station and in scouting tours around it 12 months as a volunteer and private soldier and was then verbally discharged and returned home, he states that from age and loss of memory he has not been able to state with certainty the dates of his different tours of

¹ This reference to Col. John Roebuck is probably incorrect. There is no indication in the record that John Roebuck ever attained the rank of Colonel in the militia. According to Moss, after the fall of Charleston in May 1780, he was designated as a captain. John Roebuck's brother, Benjamin, however, did attain the rank of Colonel and it is probably Benjamin Roebuck to whom the applicant intends to make reference.

service but that the dates given above are as near correct as he can give them, he further states that he has a record of his age and by that record he was born the 5th day of January 1764, that he was born in the State of Virginia, but his parents moved to South Carolina when he was quite young, that all his service was rendered as a private soldier in the militia and he was acquainted with few officers except those above named, that he is well acquainted with many persons in his present neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity & and among them he names Able Elkins and James Meers, he moved from South Carolina to Kentucky about 34 years since and has lived in Kentucky ever since and now lives in Green County, he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State sworn and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Hugh Warren

[p 41: Charles Blevins, a clergyman, and George W Tolls gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Kentucky Green County

On this 22nd day of May 1834 personally appeared before me William Skaggs a Justice of the peace in and for said County Captain Deanis Tramell [Dennis Tramell] a resident of Campbell County State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn makes the following statement viz.; that he now lives in Campbell County State of Tennessee and that he is 75 years of age; that he is well acquainted with Hugh Warren and William Warren² of Green County Kentucky who are about to make application to the Government of the United States for a pension; that in June in the year 1779 in the District of 96 [Ninety Six] in the State of South Carolina he (the said Tramell) was a Captain and entered into service and the said Hugh and William Warren entered into the service of the United States and served as privates in the militia company of volunteers under his command not less than two years; that they served a number of different tours under his command against the British Tories and Indians and that he has no doubt but the whole of the time said Warrens were in actual service under his command would amount to 2 years at the least; the said Tramell states further that he has no doubt but that the said Warrens also served several Tours under the command of Captain Anthony Coulter and Jeremiah Dickson that such was the information he received during the revolutionary war and he believes it is correct though he has no personal knowledge of any service rendered by said Warrens except the time that he served under his command as above stated – Sworn and Subscribed the day and year first above written before me.

S/ Deanis Tramell³

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[pp. 18-19 of the Fold3.com record is a listing of the SC indents in favor of Hugh Warren as

² William Warren W3056

³ Dennis Tramel (Trammel, Trammell) R10672

listed by the Comptroller General of SC]

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Affidavit of James Warren of Green County and State of Kentucky taken at the Instance of William Warren Senior of the County and State above mentioned to prove his said William's services as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War of the United States the year in which the services was rendered it is not recollected,

The declarant states that William Warren served in the Militia of South Carolina under Captain Jeremiah Doty [sic, Jeremiah Dottey] at different times about one year and afterwards served under Captain William Warford [sic, William Wofford] some six months at different times said William Warren also served under Captain Dixon some two months as well as I recollect there was others that William Warren served under, the whole amount that said William Warren was in actual Service would amount to two years during the war the deponent states that he was also a Soldier and served a part of the time mentioned in the above statements and well knew all the different Captains that William Warren served under. That he lived in the State above mentioned during the war of the revolution the field officers as well as I recollect was Colonel John Thomas, Colonel Roebuck, his first name not recollected, one of the Generals was Pickings [sic, Andrew Pickens].

This deponent also states that Hugh Warren Senior of Green County and State of Kentucky also was a Soldier in the war of the revolution from South Carolina and served under Dennis Trammel, some time also Captain Jeremiah Dixon some six months also served under Captain Anthony Colter some six months. This deponent states that he is well satisfied that Hugh Warren Senior served under the different officers as a soldier in the war of the revolution at least two years the whole of the Services rendered by Hugh Warren was in the Militia.

Given under my hand this 28th day of December 1840.

S/ James Warren, X his mark

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State of Kentucky Green County Sct.

On this 20th day of March 1845 personally came Hugh Warren before the undersigned a Justice of the peace for Green County aforesaid and made oath in due form of Law that he is a Revolutionary Soldier and as such he drew a Pension at the rate of \$40 per annum & continued to draw his said pension until the 4th day of September 1834 when his said pension was suspended by the Department upon the grounds as he was so informed that his Captain Dennis Trammel was a Tory, and that he had not served altogether during the said War of the Revolution the time of six months – he states that it has been satisfactorily established that said Trammel was not a Tory, that he is now drawing his pension if alive as Captain services in the said War, that he said Warren served his County [sic] as a private Soldier in the War of the Revolution, first and last under Captain Trammel and Dickson & Lawson and Coulter & for near about two years the history of his said Service is briefly set forth in his said Declaration now on file in the War Department. He states that he is not able to attend Court for the purpose of making this Declaration in Court. He respectfully asked therefore to be reinstated in his right to draw his said Pension from the time his Pension was suspended & to allow him to continue the same. Subscribed & sworn to this day and date above written.

S/F. G. Graham, JP

S/ Hugh Warren

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State of Kentucky, Green County

On this 20th day of March 1845 Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of

the Peace in & for the County and State aforesaid, James Warren, ⁴ aged 96 years who being duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath make the following statement, To wit: That he is well acquainted with Hugh Warren a Revolutionary Soldier and pensioner of said County of Green & State aforesaid – he states that said Hugh Warren to his own Personal Knowledge was a Revolutionary Soldier, that he first entered the Service to the best of his Knowledge at an Early age as a private in the Revolution War under Captain Dennis Trammel & served under him for some time he cannot state how long – that after this the said Hugh Entered the Service as a private Soldier in a Company Commanded by Captain Jeremiah Dixon [sic, Jeremiah Dickson] on a Scouting party, that said Company rendezvoused at Col. William Warford's [sic, William Wofford's] & that he said Hugh was out on that Tour at least three months, that after that time he said Hugh again went into Service with said Dickson and Served under him three months more as a scouting party, that he was at the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] under Captain John Lawson & after Lawson was killed Jeremiah Dickson took command, that said Hugh also served under Captain Colter (Anthony Colter) at 96 & was out under said Colter off & on for near 12 months at the time said Hugh served in all under the various different officers during the war of the Revolution was near two years – that the particular Dates of this different times of service of said Hugh Warren he cannot state, but he himself was a Soldier of the War of the Revolution & is satisfied beyond all doubt that said Hugh Warren served his Country faithfully as a Soldier from time to time in the War of the Revolution from first to last about two years or near that time – that said Hugh Warren is a man of good character & whose word may be Relied on as true.

S/ James Warren, X his mark

Subscribed & sworn to this 20 March 1845. S/ F. G. Graham, JPGC

[Standard supporting affidavit to application of Hugh Warren given by Charles Blevens, a clergyman, and George W. Tolls [also spelled Towles] of Green Co., Ky. Same given by Abel Elkins and James Meers.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the South Carolina militia.]

⁴ James Warren S30764