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Pension application of Joseph Huffman: W7826 Elizabeth fn40VA
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Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th June 1832

Virginia Madison County: SS

On this 23rd day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court of Madison Joseph Huffman a resident of Madison County in the State of Virginia aged seventy nine 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he enlisted (sic) in the army of the United States in the year 1777 with Angus Rucker then a Lieutenant in the Regiment commanded by Col. George Gibson and at that time known as The First Virginia State Regiment and subsequently as I have been informed, transferred to the Continental Line, I remained a soldier during the term for which I enlisted which was three years and during the whole period was a part of Col. Giblson's Regiment.

The Company to which I was attached was commanded at diferent (sic) periods by the following Captains To Wit Capt. John Nickolas (now Col. Nickolas) Capt. Angus Rucker and Capt Holt. In the latter part of the year 1777 the Regiment was ordered to the North and joined the Army under Genl. Washington, I was engaged in several small affairs, and had the pleasure of asseting (sic) in the Storming and takeing (sic) Stony Point from the enemy; and likewise in capturing the Hessians at Trenton. At the time of my enlistment I resided in the county of Culpeper (Virginia). I still reside in the same nighberhood (sic) and have resided in the same nighberhood (sic) from my birth--Madison County (insert is illegible) my foresaid place of residence was taken from the County of Culpeper about the year 1792. I left the service in the year 1780 after faithfully serving the three years for which I enlisted. In the summer of the year 1781 I was drafted from the County where I then resided and still reside to perform a tour of two months in the lower part of Virginia. He herby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity, except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any state.

Joseph Huffman (signature)

Sworn to and subscribed this day and year aforesaid.

And the said court do hereby declare their opinion that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states.

I Belfield Cave Clerk of the County Court of Madison in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that the forgoing contains the original proceedings of the said court in...(illeg.)atter of the application of Joseph Huffman, for a pension. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office the 27th day of August 1832.

Belfield Cave, CMC (Signature & Seal)

The material below was added by Will Graves

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Also, the handwriting of the original scribes often lends itself to varying interpretations. Users of this database are urged to view the original and to make their own decision as to how to decipher what the original scribe actually wrote. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. Folks are free to make non-commercial use this transcript in any manner they may see fit, but please extend the courtesy

of acknowledging the transcriber—besides, if it turns out the transcript contains mistakes, the resulting embarrassment will fall on the transcriber.]

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I do hereby certify that in the year 1777 and that I enlisted Joseph Hoffman [sic] of Culpepper [sic] County now of Madison as a soldier for three years in the first Virginia State Regiment commanded by Col. George Gibson and soon as the Regiment was Complete it was ordered to the North and the said Hoffman marched with the Regiment and joined the Main Army (Continental) and there continued with the said Army until the last of the year 1779 at which time the Regiment was ordered to Virginia and the said Hoffman continued until his three years was expired at which time he was discharged and proved himself a true and faithful Soldier given under my hand this 20th of November 1826.

S/ Angus Rucker¹

formerly Capt. of the first Virginia State Regiment

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Madison County to wit

This day Capt. Angus Rucker personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Madison in the State of Virginia and solemnly swore on the Holy Evangelist that the within certificate to which his name is affixed contains the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth but the truth to the best of his knowledge and belief, Given under my hand at Madison Court house this 21st day of November 1826

S/ C. W. Gibbs

[fn p. 21]

I Angus Rucker of the County of Madison and State of Virginia aged near 80 years in late a Capt. in the first Virginia State Regiment commanded by Col. George Gibson and in service during the War of the Revolution -- do hereby certify that in the early part of the year 1777 I enlisted Joseph Huffman for three years. He then resided in the County of Culpeper and now resides in the County of Madison (formerly Culpeper). I can say with great confidence that he served his full time out and was honorably discharged after having aided in many of the most hazardous enterprise in which the Regiment was engaged, Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of July 1832.

S/ Angus Rucker {Seal}

[fn p. 6: March 16, 1837 in Madison County Virginia, Elizabeth Huffman, 77, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Joseph Huffman, a pensioner of the United States for his services in the revolution at the rate of \$80 per annum; that she married him on January five, 1773; that he died October five 1834; and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 8: Moses Huffman gave an affidavit in support of his mother's application for a widow's pension in which he states that his father died October five, 1834.]

¹ FPA S19068. Rucker's certificate in 1826 was given in support of a petition Joseph Huffman filed with the Legislature of Virginia to be placed on the State's pension list. I have not transcribed that petition since it contains no new details of his military services.