

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Mordecai Hicks VAS1134

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Monroe County State of Virginia: SS

This day Josiah Meadows¹ of Giles County and State of Virginia aged seventy-seven years came before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County of Monroe and made oath in due form of law that he was in the Revolutionary War that he was in the Illinois Regiment under the Command of Colonel John Montgomery, that he knew Mordecai Hicks as a soldier in said Regiment, that he was present when he died in the service at a place called Illinois Town and he was well acquainted with his family, that he knew all his sisters and two own Brothers William and Richard, William has been dead for many years past and five sisters Sarah, Nancy, Susan, Catharine and Elizabeth and that there was but three sisters now living, Susan, Elizabeth and Catharine which is all the heirs now living that the said Mordecai Hicks enlisted for the same period of himself which was one year, that they were marched from Botetourt County in Virginia to the long Islands of Holston under Captain Isaac Taylor where they rendezvoused and there joined Colonel John Montgomery, that they were marched from thence to the Chickamauga Towns, Destroyed them, that they were marched from the Chickamauga Towns to Illinois Town on the bank of Kaskaskia River at which place the said Mordecai Hicks died. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of June 1834

S/ William McDaniel, JP

S/ Joseph Meadows, X his mark

Petition for bounty land

The Heirs of Mordecai Hicks

Mordecai Hicks was a member of Captain Isaac Taylor's Company of Illinois volunteers, and died in the service, July 4th, 1779 – (see pay roll of Captain Isaac Taylor's Company of volunteers, in the 1st vol. of "Illinois Papers") – I have heretofore considered Mordecai Hicks a soldier in the Illinois Regiment & enlisted for three years: and have reported the claim of his heirs good for a service of three years. I am now satisfied that I was an error and did injustice to the heirs. They are entitled to 200 acres of land for his services as one of the Illinois volunteers.

The affidavit of one witness has been filed – Josiah Meadows says he served in the same Company with Hicks, & that he died in the service. Meadows name is on the payroll aforesaid of Captain Taylor's Company of volunteers. His testimony & the evidence of the pay roll

¹ [Josiah Meadow S7225](#)

support each other.

Respectfully Submitted
John H Smith, Commissioner
July 5th, 1834

To Governor Tazewell