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Pension application of John Hughs ¹ R15270 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Plattsburg N. Y. July 6, 1855

Sir

I am attorney for the Heirs of John Hughes who was a Captain in the Virginia line of the Continental Army and died May 12, 1815, and their claim is embraced by the Half Pay Bill which passed the Senate last Session, but failed in the House for want of time. One of the Heirs, T. M. Stubblefield is dissatisfied with the delay which necessarily attends the prosecution of the case, and wrote me sometime sense "that he was informed by an Agent in Richmond that there was nothing necessary but to prove Heirship, and the money could at once be obtained." Being under an impression that you had determined not to admit any more claims under the Act of July 5, 1832 without the further action of Congress, I have not made an application under that act. Will you have the goodness to write such a letter as well relieve my clients from an impression that their interests have been made neglected and oblige?

Yours Respectfully

Hon. L. P. Waldo

S/ J. D. Woodward

Commissioner of Pensions

P.S. Captain Hughs was entitled as commutation to \$2400 and appears to have received Certificates for \$1373.10 leaving do you in commutation \$1126.70 Perhaps you will conclude to pay this balance on part of Heirship.

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¹ Va. Half Pay