Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Gilson Hamrick R4550 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Kentucky Kenton County SS

Be it known that on this 20th day of April in the year 1844 personally appeared before the Honorable Henry O Brown Judge of the Circuit Court in open court being a Court of record in and for said County Gilsom Hamrick [sic] aged 78 years who makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the several acts of Congress for the benefit of revolutionary pensioners, who being duly sworn upon his oath declares that in the fall of the year 1781 in the County of Loudon [Loudoun] in the State of Virginia he entered the service of the United States and marched from said County of Loudon to the Siege of York. That afterwards and after the siege of York he marched from thence to Nolins ferry [Noland's Ferry] in charge of the British prisoners at which point he was discharged. That he served during that time full two months. That Richard Spurr [?] was his Captain that Major Rucker was his Major part of the time – that Colonel West [possibly Lieutenant Colonel Charles West of Loudoun County] was his Colonel he does not recollect the Christian names of his Major and his Colonel. That he was at the capture of Cornwallis at York [October 19, 1781] – That he moved from Virginia to Kentucky in the year 1796 and has resided in Kentucky ever since except three years when his residence was in Indiana. That he has no children living with him. That his wife yet lives and is 79 years [of] age, and he is 78 years of age as aforesaid and that he was married in 1785.

S/ Gilson Hamrick

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