Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hues [Hughs or Hughes]R5342 Rachel fn24NC Transcribed by Will Graves 6/17/11

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State of Tennessee, Maury County: SS: Court of Pleas & Quarter-Stations September Term 1832
On this 18th day of personally appeared in open Court before Robert Wortham, James
Huey and Peter Williams Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting James
Hues a resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged about 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

This applicant states that he was born in the year 1753, the month not recollected in the County of Orange North Carolina, that he resided in Orange when he entered the service under the command of Captain George Oldham as a drafted militia man for a tour of three months, he states that he was marched to Hillsboro where he camped 2 or 3 weeks was there put under the command of Colonel Stephen Moore and marched by him to Fayetteville where arms were drawn. Applicant states that at Fayetteville North Carolina General Caswell took command of the detachment and marched to Cheraw Hills, where the Army remained a short time, and marched to Rugeley's Mills in South Carolina, where this applicant was detained as one of the guard to the baggage wagons, he then returned home to the County of Orange, having performed a three months service General Gates being defeated below Camden during that campaign

Applicant states that he volunteered in a second Tour under the Command of Captain Dixon and was principally engaged in pursuing, watching and suppressing the Tories in the Counties of Orange, Chatham and Randolph then committing many acts of violence on the persons and property of the Citizens of those Counties, this was also a three month tour.

This applicant states that he was drafted for a third tour of duty and put under the command of Captain Reynolds, who was detached with his company as a picket guard to watch the movements of the British Army under Lord Cornwallis, he says he was in a skirmish with the British at the Reedy fork of Haw River where Colonel Moore commanded and was compelled to retreat before a superior British force, he thinks this was about 2 or 3 weeks before the battle of Guilford, he then returned home where he then resided in the County of Orange. Applicant says he performed 3 tours of duty of 3 months each that he received a written discharge but has lost or mislaid it. – That he has no documentary evidence of his age war service and that he knows of no person by whom he can prove court testify to his service. This applicant remembers that he performed a fourth tour of duty under the command of Captain John Oldham as a guard to the General Assembly sitting at Hillsboro and 1782 of 3 months or thereabouts. Applicant moved to South Carolina 5 or 6 years after the treaty of peace, where he lived 5 or 6 years, he then moved

to the State of Georgia where he resided 5 or 10 years, he then moved to the County of Maury State of Tennessee can 1816 or 1817, where he has resided ever since and now resides. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present hand declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State. Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

James Hues

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S/ Thomas J Porter, Clerk

[David Craig, Aaron McManus and James S Craig gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 3: On February 3, 1851 in Lawrence County Tennessee, James Hues, 64, filed a claim under the 1838 and 1836 acts stating that he is the lawful child of James & Rachel Hues of Maury County State of Tennessee; that his father was a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$40 per annum and died February 28, 1835 leaving a widow who survived him several years, the mother of this declarant whose maiden name was Rachel Rutherum, who died October 27, 1842; that his parents were married in the year 1775 in the state of North Carolina; that he has no knowledge of the existence of a record of their marriage but that the attached family record is a true copy made whilst the original was still in existence; that his parents had 4 children born prior to November 1783 whose names are Isabella, Catharine, David & Elizabeth Hues or Hughes and James Hues was born January 2, 1786; that his parents moved from the state of North Carolina to the County of Pickens South Carolina about the year 1791, thence to Franklin County Georgia about 1810; thence to Lincoln County Tennessee about 1818, from thence to Lawrence County Tennessee in 1820 and in 1822 came to reside in Maury County Tennessee: that his mother did not remarry following the death of his father; that she died leaving 3 children surviving, Elizabeth Davis, James and David Hues. The claimants signed the application with his mark.]

[fn p. 5: family record]

James Hughs was Born in the year of our lord 1751
Rachel Hughes was Born in the year of our lord 22 November 1755
Isabella Hughes was Bourn August 25 in the year of our lord 1776
Catharine Hughes was bourn November 26th in the year of our lord 1778
David Hughes was bourn October 24th in the year of our lord 1781
Elizabeth Hughes was bourn 21 of April in the year of our lord 1783
James Hughes was bourn the Second day of January in the year of our lord 1786

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]