Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Huggins R5348 Transcribed by Will Graves fn17NC 6/17/11

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State of North Carolina Iredell County November 14th 1832

This day Robert Huggins personally appeared before John W Gray one of the Justices for and instead County and State aforesaid he being a resident of said County, states that he is so infirm that he is not able to ride to the Court House. That he was born in Pennsylvania Lancaster County that he is eighty-five years and nine months old that he was living in Rowan County now Iredell County on the waters of Coddle Creek where he now live same has lived ever since State of North Carolina when called into service; under Captain John Dickey & General Retherford [Griffith Rutherford] Drafted to go to South Carolina after being in service a short time hired James Gray a substitute at Charlotte North Carolina to put in the balance of three months tower [tour]; second Tower Drafted for three months Captain Game Huggins Colonel Locke General Rutherford. This tower to South Carolina hired Nathaniel Rar [?] as a substitute; Entered three months under Captain Gammel in Salisbury Rowan County North Carolina who was commissioned to superintend the Army made and furnished Cartridges, Boxes agreeable to contract which stood for 3 months Tower of service, 3 other short Towers which I volunteered was at the Battle at Ramsour's [Ramsour's mill], Colonel Locke commanded there the time not recollected. Last Tower was under a proclamation of General Davidson Drafted for 6 weeks service to stand for 3 months. Captain James Huggins & Colonel Locke crossed the Yadkin River at the Shallow Ford and toward Guilford.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State or if any only on that of the agency of the State of North Carolina.

Sworn and prescribed the day and date within before

S/ John W Gray, JP

S/ Robert Huggins

Robert Staggins

[William Fall gave an affidavit that he remembers seeing Robert Huggins in service but can't remember when or where; and that Huggins enjoys a reputation in the neighborhood as having been a revolutionary soldier.]

[John Sloan gave an affidavit attesting the age and reputation of the claimant as a soldier of the revolution.]

State of North Carolina Iredell County May 17 1833

This day Robert Huggins made oath in due form of law and deposeth and saith that for the purpose of amending and explaining his former Declaration of November 14th, 1832 that he entered as stated in his former Declaration first of October 1779 for 3 months in making & furnishing cartridge boxes that he put in 3 months service – they were received by the officer that he got no written discharge –

The short Towers of minute service one week against the Tories was at the battle at Ramsour's 20th of June 1780. The other short Towers was believed to be the 20th of June 1780 & first January 1781 the same length of time date not recollected.

That he was drafted as stated in his former declaration for 3 months entered into service January first 1781 under Colonel Locke & Captain Huggins served as stated received no written discharge.

It is not convenient to have the certificate of a clergyman the pastor of the church lives 10 or 12 miles from where I live then had an adjoining County.

Sworn and subscribed before

S/ John W Gray, JP

S/ Robert Huggins