Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh McBride R6589 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: to wit

On this 28th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas & Sessions now sitting Hugh McBride a resident of Spartanburg in the State aforesaid aged seventy 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 7 1832. That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – "I entered the Service of the United States in the regular Army in the spring of 1780 and was placed under the direction of a Regular Wagon Master, Thomas Lindsy [Thomas Lindsey or Lindsay?], and served until the following winter, and when at Petersburg I was placed under a Regular Wagon Master and my Wagon was branded with the Continental mark and continued in this Service about six months; when I was taken sick and compelled to leave the Service. In the fall of 1781 I was drafted in the Militia of Virginia and attached to the Company of Captain Lewis in Colonel West's Regiment in Loudoun County, and joined the Regiment of Colonel Lacy's from thence we proceeded by Frasirs [Frazer's ?] Ferry¹ on the Mattiponi River [Mattaponi River], to the Siege of little York, and was stationed on the Gloucester side River in about three miles of the Town, in order to intercept the retreat of the British from that Town – where we remained until the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] – I then marched as a guard to the prisoners to Leesburg, and was disbanded – having served about 3 months. – I was born in York County, State of Pennsylvania – in the month of September 1762, but have no record of my age – I resided in Loudoun County Virginia, when I entered the Service, and have resided in South Carolina ever since the Revolution. I never had any written discharge but was disbanded with the other troops. I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State – as to my character for truth and moral deportment I referred to the Reverend Berryman Hix, Jesse Cleveland and Dr. A. B. Moore and any other good man, who knows me. S/ Hugh McBride

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[Berryman Hicks, a clergyman, Jesse Cleveland, and A. B. Moore gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The State of South Carolina Spartanburg District

Before me H. J. Dean a Justice of the Quorum in and for said District personally appeared Hugh McBride who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that in the spring of 1780 his father's wagon was pressed by the French as they passed through Alexandria on their way to Little York that he volunteered his services to go with the troops & take care of his Father's wagon. He went from Alexandria to Leesburg where he remained until the Brigade was collected, after which he went to Fredericksburg from thence to Richmond from Richmond to Chesterfield Court House from there to Petersburg where he was put under a regular wagon master. In a short time after this he was taken sick after which, as he was informed and believes, a wagon was branded with the Continental Brand & was taken on to Hillsborough. He cannot swear positively as to the precise length of time but according to the best of his knowledge and recollection he served at least six months previous to his being sick & including sickness nine months. He was afterwards drafted for three months as appears in his declaration – making an aggregate of one year & for which he claims a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 25th day of May 1833. S/ H. J. Dean, JP S/ Hugh McBride