

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hoskins S1219

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State of Kentucky Henry County Sct

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832, On this 2nd day of April 1833 personally appeared before the Honorable Samuel Yond [?]¹, Judge of circuit Court being a Court of Record James Hoskins a resident of Henry County Kentucky aged seventy-five 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. That he was drafted and served as Sergeant in the militia of the United States in the year 1779 for three months the day & month when he entered the service & when he left he cannot recollect his Captain's name was Henry Lumkin². He states that he had no Colonel, or other field officers, as he was attached to a Company which guarded the Magazine at Williamsburg in Virginia he was in no engagement during this Term of service. He states that he served his first Term of three months and was disbanded & he gave no written discharge. He states that in the year 1781, he volunteered in the County of Essex in the State of Virginia in the months of September or October and marched down to the siege of York under Captain Joseph Bohannon [Joseph Bohannan] and Colonel Campbell and Major Batop [perhaps James Baytop] and he states he was in the siege of York and assisted in the capture of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] and continued in the service until the expiration of the said three months when he was discharged. But he has lost his discharge – he states that he was born in the State of Virginia, the year he does not know, He states that his parents told him he was twenty-two years of age when he was married which is the period from which he computes his age. He has no record of his age – he states that Captain Thomas P. Coats, Achilles Hoskins,³ John Mortimer know him & can testify as to his character, and their belief of his services in the Revolutionary War. 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.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/James Hoskins, X his mark

[John Jones, a clergyman, and Joseph Minor gave the standard supporting affidavit.]



¹ Captain Henry Lumpkin served as a militia Captain from King & Queen County Virginia. The veteran may be referring to this officer.

³ [Achillis Hoskins S1218](#)

[p 8: Power of attorney dated April 1, 1853 executed by Baylor Hoskins who states he is an heir of James Hoskins, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$25 per annum and who died in Oldham County Kentucky (date not stated). He signed this document with his mark. The document is witnessed by George Hoskins and W. S. Hoskins.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private and Sergeant in the Virginia service, 3 months in each rank.]