Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Hughe (Hughes) S21306 Transcribed by Will Graves f18NC rev'd 6/18/11 & 2/18/18

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State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District SS

On this 2nd day of September 1834, personally appeared in open Court, viz: The Court of General Sessions & Common Pleas before the Honorable Baylis J. Earle, the presiding Judge of the said Court, George Hughe [sic], aged seventy six years a resident of the District aforesaid, 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 June 7th, 1832. That he volunteered in the Army of the United States as a private in the Militia of North Carolina under Captain James Withrow in the year 1780, in the County of Rutherford for the term of three months. That he was in the battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] that he served out the term which he volunteered viz.: three months & was discharged by Captain Withrow in Rutherford County North Carolina. A few days after his discharge he again volunteered in the Militia of North Carolina in the same year (1780) in the County of Rutherford North Carolina under the command of Captain Withrow for the term of three months. That he was marched through various parts of North & South Carolina after the Tories & thus served out the term for which he volunteered & was again discharged by Captain Withrow, in the County of Rutherford, in the year 1780. Owing to old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot state of months in which he volunteered but knows the foregoing services were rendered in the year 1780 which will be authenticated by the affidavit of Captain Withrow. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State. And that he has no documentary evidence.

Where & in what year were you born?

I was born in the County of Brunswick Virginia and was born on the 22nd July 1758.

Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it?

I have no record of my age, the Bible in which it was recorded not being in my possession.

Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary war; and where do you now live?

I resided in the County of Rutherford & State of North Carolina when I volunteered. I have since lived in Union & Spartanburg Districts South Carolina. I now live in Spartanburg District.

How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a Substitute and if a substitute for whom?

I volunteered.

State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served &c. There were none. The company to which I was attached was a few times with the regulars, but my services were mostly rendered in going through various parts of North & South Carolina dispersing the Tories. I was in the battle at Kings Mountain as stated & in several small skirmishes with the Tories. The deponent further states that he would have made application previous to this time but has

heretofore been unable to procure the testimony of James Withrow. Sworn to & subscribed in open Quart the second day of October 1834.

S/ George Hughey, X his mark

S/ B J Earle, Presiding Judge Oct. Term 1834

[Jonathan Guthrie, a clergyman, Abner Benson & Edward Cooley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Rutherford County} Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for the County and State aforesaid James Withrow and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Statement saith that he was acquainted with George Hughe the present applicant for a pension under the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832, that he the said George Hughe served a Tower [tour] of three months under him in the year 1780, that he was at the Battle of Kings Mountain and acquitted himself with credit/ also volunteered himself three months more and acquitted himself with credit in the same year. Sworn to and subscribed on the 18th of August 1834

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[p 8: On March 12, 1857 in Spartanburg District South Carolina, John Hughey executed a power of attorney in which he states he is the son of George Hughey

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ James Withrow S7945