

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Hopson S30497

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State of Kentucky Christian County: SS

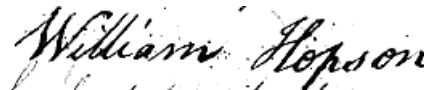
On this 20<sup>th</sup> of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable B. Shackelford Sole Judge of the Christian County Court now sitting for the State aforesaid William Hopson Senior a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged between seventy-three & seventy-four years – 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 June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 –

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 (January) he believes) with and under Captain Nathaniel Cocke and served in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Dangerfield [William Daingerfield] and in the said Company commanded by Captain Nathaniel Cocke – Lieutenant E. Wade and afterwards by Lieutenant Joseph Hobson [VAS1607] my brother now Dead – Ensign Tapley White – that he resided in Halifax County when he enlisted – that he marched from Halifax to Williamsburg in the spring following marched near Gwynn Island to the River near that the Island and then encamped – He then marched to Little York – and remained there that fall & winter – he then marched again to Williamsburg and from thence to the North through Alexandria and from thence to Baltimore – where in the month of October or November 1777 he was discharged by Captain J Spencer under whom & by whom he was then Commanded. – Being but a short time before his term of service expired – that in consequence of being sick he was discharged before his term expired – that he lost his discharge soon after he got it with his Pocket Book – that on the March he was generally with the Baggage Wagons – and was in no Engagements – that he now resides in Christian County State of Kentucky. That his term of enlistment was for the term of two years – that he is now seventy-three years of age –

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 of the United States.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid –

S/ William Hobson



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The Commonwealth of Kentucky Christian County Sct.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid John Hopson Executor of the Last Will and Testament of his father William Hopson

deceased who being duly sworn before me according to law deposeth & saith

That on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 his Father William Hopson departed this life and that at the January Term 1833 of the Christian County Court he duly qualified as the Executor of said deceased under his will.

That his father is the identical William Hobson who on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August 1832 made his declaration in order to obtain a pension under the act of Congress of June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 to which this is an amendment.

That he hath frequently and long previous to the passage of said act heard his Father state his Services as a soldier of the Revolution and that he fully believes his Father served as set forth in his Declaration. That his Father was born he believes in Halifax County State of Virginia and removed from there to Rutherford County State of North Carolina that he removed from there to Christian County Kentucky near Hopkinsville where he resided for about twenty-five years and where he died. He does not know in what year his Father was born. That he hath no record of his Father's age, nor does he believe his Father had any at the time of his Death but that he fully believes he was seventy-three years of age before his Death – as this affiant is now fifty-two years of age and his Father had one Daughter order than himself and that his Father married very Young –

He would name John Phaup C Pitzer Rev'd Thomas Kirkman, William Dupuy Senior, F. Dunnington of his Father's near neighbors and in Hobson veil the Honorable Benj. Shackelford, John Bryan, John H Phelps, John Buckner and many others to whom the said Deceased was personally known and who can testify as to the Character for veracity and their belief of the services of the said William Hopson Deceased as a Soldier of the Revolution for which the said John Hopson as Executor claims a pension up to the 13<sup>th</sup> of November 1832

S/ John Hopson Execu.



[Attested February 22, 1833]

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky Christian County Sct.

This day personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable B. Shackelford Sold Judge of the Christian Circuit Court Thomas Goode<sup>1</sup> who having been duly sworn states on his oath that he was well acquainted with William Hopson who hath made his declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the pension act of 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832 which Declaration bears date 20<sup>th</sup> August 1832. That he knew the said William Hopson while in the Service of the United States under the command of Captain N. Cocke in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment Virginia troops – commanded by Colonel Dangerfield – that he does not know the length of time the said Hobson served – and that while this Deponent lived in Christian County he was well acquainted with the said Hopson that within a few days passed he had a conversation with him on the subject and knows him to be the same person and that full faith & credit all to be given to the Declaration of the said Hobson.

Given under my hand this 16<sup>th</sup> of November 1832

S/ Thos. Goode



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<sup>1</sup> FPA S38742

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State of Kentucky Todd County

This day N. Terry<sup>2</sup> personally appeared before me William M Terry an acting Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid & made oath that he was well acquainted with William Hobson of Christian County & State of Kentucky and that he was well acquainted with him before the revolutionary war & that he was enlisted about the commencement of the war for two years with the said William Hobson who also enlisted for two years in a company raised in Halifax County Virginia commanded by Colonel Nathaniel Cocke of the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Dangerfield. And this affiant knows that he was about eight months in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment with William Hopson and that he received an appointment in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment & left the said William Hobson in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment – In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal

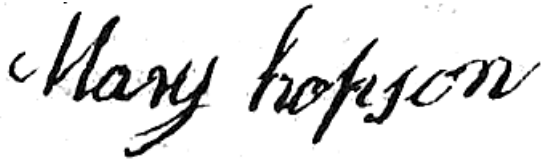
S/ Nath'l Terry {Seal} [Nathaniel Terry]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nath'l Terry". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

[Attested August 1, 1832]

[p 26: On September 8, 1835 in Christian County Kentucky, John H Wood gave testimony that he was well acquainted with William and Mary Hopson, the wife of William Hobson.]

[p 28: On July 2, 1835 in Christian County Kentucky, Mary Hopson gave testimony that she is the widow of William Hobson; that she married him in Caldwell County Kentucky September 9, 1819.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mary Hopson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the left of a closing bracket.

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$73.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831 and ending when he died November 13, 1832. He was pensioned for his service as a private for 22 months in the Virginia service.]

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<sup>2</sup> [Nathaniel Terry W3054](#)