Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Hull S3070 fn38SC
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State of Tennessee Hardeman County: County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions October Term 1833

On this 10th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the County of Hardeman and State of Tennessee now sitting Joseph Hull aged seventy-eight years and a resident of the County of Hardeman in the State of Tennessee 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 the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. This declarant lived in Anson County in the State of North Carolina where he enlisted in the fall 1776 to serve till the 10th [second digit unclear] of June 1777 he served his tour and obtained his discharge and then enlisted for and during the War in the same Regiment commanded by the following named officers Colonel Owen Roberts, Colonel Beckman and Major John F Grimpke [sic, John F Grimke]. We were marched to Charleston and James Island and from thence we joined General Lincoln's Army and went to the battle at Stono where Colonel Roberts was killed after whose death the command then devolved upon Colonel Beckman and we then marched to Savannah where we had a battle from thence we marched and returned to Charleston where this declarant was taken prisoner and remained as such till he was exchanged at James Town in the State of Virginia. This declarant was left sick in Virginia and did not return to his place of residence until after peace was proclaimed and continued there until he removed to the County of Wilson which was in the year 1826 and in the State of Tennessee and resided there until 1827 and in that year he removed to Hardeman County in the State of Tennessee where he has resided ever since. He further states that he is not in possession of any documentary evidence and that he knows of no one in the State or any person now living whose testimony he can procure to confirm with certainty his term of service being far distant from the State in which he served and being separated from those who were his compatriots in arms at that period. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

The Court then propounded the following interrogatories to the said applicant as prescribed by the War Department.

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. I was born on the Easton Shore of Maryland and am 78 years in my 79th

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I lived in Anson County North Carolina when called into service. I have resided in Brunswick County Virginia part of time and part in Anson County North Carolina and 3rd now reside Hardeman County, State of Tennessee

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I enlisted in the fall 1776 to serve till June 15 1777 which tour I served and then enlisted for and during the War as stated in my declaration

State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. I was commanded by Captain Richard Roberts son of Colonel Roberts Colonel Beckman and Major John F Grimke I was in what they called the Continental South Carolina Artillery as well as I recollect. I don't know that there were any militia regiments with us. We kept Garrison till we joined General Lincolns Army to March as I stated in my declaration

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. I am known to many respectable persons in the County and in my neighborhood among whom I know is Doctor William the Elgin and West Harris Esquire who will testify as to a belief of my service as a soldier of the revolution.

S/ Joseph Hull

Sworn to and subscribed this 10th of October 1833 S/Tho J. Hardeman, Clk

Joseph Hull

[fn p. 35: William B Elgin, a clergyman, and West Harris gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Note: this file contains several letters which appear to be in the handwriting of the veteran in which he gives further accounts of his services. He evidently filed a claim under the 1828 act in addition to the one transcribed above.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the cavalry in the service of South Carolina.]