Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hillburn S31745 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Georgia County of Paulding

On this 21st day of May 1838, personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court now sitting John Hillburn Senior Resident of the County of Paulding and State of Georgia aged 75 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 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit: Colonel Philemon Waters Major Purdue [Field Pardue] and Captain John Humphries sometime in the month of October 1778 and served until sometime in the month of August 1779 [possibly 1780? as that was when Major Pardue was active] as a drafted Militia man, that at the time he entered the service he resided in Newberry District, State of South Carolina that, he was in no battles that he [mar]ched through Edgefield and Newberry districts in said Sta/te of S/outh Carolina, that he served in some contanel [sic, Continental] Companies [word missing as a result of the paper being torn, probably "the other"] officers he does not now recollect, that he knew General Greene [Nathanael Greene] and Colonel Dixon Dickson contanel [sic, Continental] officers that he was principally engaged in guarding Tories that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure at this time who can testify to his Service.

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 or Territory.

S/ John Hillburn, Senr., X his mark

sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/D. D. Heslep, JIC

[Turman Walthall and John McBrayer, Sr, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for nine months service as a private in the company of Captain Humphreys in the Regiment commanded by Colonel [*Philemon*] Waters in the South Carolina militia.]

[Fold3.com has erroneously filed the Bounty Land Warrant Record Card of Henry Hillebrant, a Private in the New Jersey line, Warrant Number 8408, for 100 acres issued January 19, 1798 to Abraham Bell, assignee, at the end of this file at page 14.]