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Pension Application of David Hudson S31767

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State of Georgia }  
Elbert County } SS.

On this twenty first day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, personally appeared in open Court, before Dilliard Herndon, James Oliver & William A Beck Justices of the Superior Court of Elbert County in the state of Georgia, now sitting for said County, David Hudson a resident of the County of Elbert and State of Georgia aged Seventy 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he entered the service of the United States as a Substitute for his brother Charles Hudson in the year Seventeen hundred and seventy nine, under Captain Moore in the Regiment Commanded by then Major Pickins [sic: Andrew Pickens, promoted to Colonel before Feb 1779, General before Mar 1781], that he resided at Ninety Six [District] now Cambridge, in the State of South Carolina marched from Ninety Six to Vienna and there crossed the Savannah River, from thence to the old trading ford on the Oconee River in the State of Georgia, from thence was detached under Major Pickens after the Indians up the Oconee River from thence to a place called White Hall in the State of S. Carolina where he was discharged from the service of the United States, the day and month he does not recollect.

That he also entered the service of the United States as a substitute for a person not now recollected, in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine, nor does he recollect his Captain or the Commanding officer of the Regiment in which he served, during this Tour of service, that he resided in Ninety Six now Cambridge in the State of So. Carolina when he entered into this service, marched from Ninety Six to a place then called Liberty Hill, opposite to Augusta in the State of Georgia from thence guarded the Tories back to Ninety Six where they were imprisoned at which place he was discharged from the service of the United States, the day and month he does not recollect.

That he also volunteered into the service of the United States in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine under Captain Armstrong Heard, Commanded by Major Reid, the Colonels name he does not recollect, the whole Commanded by General [Andrew] Williamson, that he resided at the time he entered the service in Ninety Six in the State of South Carolina, marched from thence to Savannah in the state of georgia, where he remained during the Siege of that place in the month of October [24 Sep - 19 Oct] one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine, and was in the Battle fought there [9 Oct]. after the Siege, marched back to Ninety Six in South Carolina where he was discharged the exact date he does not recollect; that he was acquainted whilst in this service, with Major [Samuel] Taylor, Count Pulasky [sic: Brigadier Gen. Kazimierz Pulaski], General [Benjamin] Lincoln of the regulars, but does not recollect the names of the Regiments.

That also he entered the service of the United States as a Substitute for one Sails the day month or year he does not recollect, under Captain Robert Stubblefield, that he resided in Spotsylvania State of Virginia when he entered into the service, marched from Spotsylvania to Richmond in the State of Virginia, from thence twelve miles below Richmond, from thence to Cabin Point [on James River in Surry County], from Cabin Point to Prince Edward County where he was discharged from the service of the United States, that he can only recollect Colonel George Stubblefield a regular officer whilst in this service

That also he entered the service of the United States as a Substitute for a man by the name of Vadler, the day month or year he does not recollect in the regiment at that time commanded by — joined his regiment at Prince Edward Court House that he resided at the time he substituted in the County of Prince Edward State of Virginia marched from that place down towards the Sea Board, from thence back

to Prince Edward County where he was discharged from the service of the United States.

That he also Entered the service of the United States as a Substitute for a person he does not now recollect, in the year seventeen hundred and eight one under Major Holcomb that at the time he substituted he resided in the County of Prince Edward State of Virginia, marched from Prince Edward to place called the Burnt Honory [sic: Burnt Ordinary 8 mi NW of Williamsburg] and was at that place when General [Anthony] Wayne fought the British at Old James Town in the State of Virginia [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781]. from thence to a place called Morben Hills [sic: Malvern Hill] where he was discharged from the service of the United States, the exact date he does not recollect.

That also he was in one other Tour of duty, the particulars he does not recollect, but well remembers on a fourth of July Major Asa Pannill was accidentally killed. after serving this Tour was discharged from the service of the United States. That in all said service he has served in the service of the United States Six months in the Revolutionary War, and he thinks much longer but at this late date he cannot say precisely how much longer than six months, and that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person now living whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service as a revolutionary Soldier.

He says he was born in Prince Edward County in the State of Virginia on the Sixth day of December in the year One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty two, has no record of his age. That he resided in Ninety Six in the State of South Carolina the three first times that he entered the service of the United States, afterwards removed to the State of Virginia in Spotsylvania County at which place he resided when he entered the service the fourth time, the fifth sixth and seventh time that he entered the service of the United States he resided in the County of Prince Edward in the state of Virginia, where he resided until after the ratification of Peace [1783], then removed to Wilkes County, now Elbert, in the State of Georgia, where he has resided ever since and now resides there.

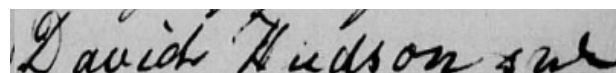
He says the first time that he was called into service he substituted for his Brother Charles Hudson. The second time that he entered the service he substituted for a man whose name he does not now recollect; the third time when called into the service he volunteered, the fourth time he substituted for one Sailes, the fifth time he substituted for one Vadler, the sixth time that he entered the service of the United States he substituted for a person whose name he does not now recollect, the last time that he entered the service he recollects but few circumstances of that service.

That he served with the following named Regiments, the first and second time with none but his own Regiment, the third time he served with the Army under the immediate Command of General Lincoln, the particular Regiment he does know by name, he does not recollect at this time only General Lincoln, Count Pulasky and Major Taylor of the Regular Officers who were with the troops, the fourth time he entered in service he served with several Regiments but does not recollect them by name, Colonel George Stubblefield was the only Regular Officer that he recollects that served with Troops whilst in the service, the fifth time whilst in service served only with his own Regiment, and Colonel Holt Richardson [Holt Richeson] was the only regular officer that served with the troops, the sixth time that he entered the service served only with the Militia, the seventh and last that he entered the service he says that he recollects but few circumstances of that service.

He says that he received no written discharge from any of the services that he performed, they were all Verbal discharges.

The names of some of the persons to whom I am known in my present neighbourhood, and who can testify as to my Character for Veracity, and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution, are the Honorable Wiley Thompson now a member in the Congress of the United States, General James M Tait, General Jephtha V. Harris, Abraham Stenchcomb Esq'r. and Simeon Oliver.

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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Hudson" followed by a small mark that appears to be "sr" or "sub". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.