Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Hood S35414 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Illinois White County: SS

On this the third day of June 1823 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of White in the State of Illinois, William Hood resident of said County aged Sixty-eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in Order to Obtain the provisions made of the Act of the 18th of March 1818, the 1st of May 1820 and 1st of March 1823. That he the said William Hood enlisted for the term of three years on the __ day of September in the year 1776 or 1777 in the State of Virginia, in the Company commanded by Captain __ Faulkner [probably Ralph Falkner, also spelled Faulkner] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Neville [John Neville] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until sometime in the fall 1779 or 1780 when he was discharged from the said service in Williamsburg in the State of Virginia – And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

No land 3 head of Cattle 18 do – hogs Debts due \$15

S/ William Hood, X his Mark

That his Occupation is that of a farmer But that his bodily infirmity is such that he cannot pursue it to any profit or effect. That he has no family living with him and that he is not able to support himself without the Aid of the Country and that he has no other proof of his enlistment service or discharge in his power.

The above sworn to and declared on the third day of June 1823 before the undersigned in open court.

S/ James Ratcliff, Clk.

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¹ Ralph Falkner BLWt514-400

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing December 10th, 1825, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do hereby certify that William wood a Soldier and Colonel Nevels Detachment of the Virginia Line has served the Full time of 3 years for which he was enlisted and is now hereby Discharged from the Service that he has Received his pay in Continental Currency up to the first Day of December 1779 – since which he has only Received \$2 in Specie from the D. commissary of Prisoners in Charlestown [Charlestown South Carolina].

Sworn under my hand at Williamsburg This 25th day of July 1781 S/Jno. Smith Capt. Comdt. [John Smith]

S/D. Stephenson [probably Major David Stephenson]

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² Major David Stephenson was taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston, South Carolina on May 12, 1780.