Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Montgomery S35525 & R7318 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 5] State of Ohio Butler County: SS:

Before the subscriber Robert Taylor an associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the 7th Circuit of the State of Ohio and County of Butler, personally appeared Hugh Montgomery on the first day of February in the year 1819 who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the late 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 –

That he will be sixty-four years old the 25th day of this month, that on the 12th day of February A.D. 1777 at Pittsburgh in the State of Pennsylvania he enlisted a private soldier in the company commanded by Captain James Sullivan in the Regiment of Colonel Russell [probably William Russell, maybe David Russell] in the Virginia line, he marched to Philadelphia and from thence to a place called the cross-roads near Trenton New Jersey but on the opposite [side] of the River where he joined a division of the Army commanded by General Greene [presumably Nathanael Greenel he then marched to the head of Elk River in Maryland State and from thence to Brandywine Creek, he was present at and took part in the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], and from thence he marched to Germantown and was there engaged in a battle [October 4, 1777] against the British in which he was twice wounded, from thence he marched to the White Marsh or Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania, where he continued until next season. He then marched to Pittsburgh PA, where he was placed under the command of Colonel Broadhead [Daniel Brodhead] and went against the Indians on the Allegheny River from thence he returned to Pittsburgh again and was then placed under the command of General Macintosh [Lachlan McIntosh] and marched to the Muskingum River and was engaged in building Fort Lawrence [Fort Laurens], and at Fort McIntosh the latter at the mouth of the Big Beaver River – he was there employed in scouting parties in the vicinity of Pittsburgh until the 19th of April A.D. 1780 when and where he was honorably discharged by Colonel John Gibson which discharge he has since accidentally lost in the Ohio River: The said Hugh Montgomery further states that he is now a resident of the County of Butler in State of Ohio and that from his reduced circumstances in life he stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he now has no other evidence in his power of having performed said services or any part thereof except the annexed affidavit of John Phillips.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above mentioned.

¹ A note on the cover sheet of this file indicates that the cases were consolidated in December 1939 and that the veteran served in the War of 1812

S/ Robt. Taylor



State of Ohio Butler County SS

Personally appeared before me Robert Taylor and associate judge of the court of Common Pleas for the County aforesaid in the seventh circuit in the State of Ohio John Phillips² who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with Hugh Montgomery a common soldier in the company of Captain James Sullivan whilst the said Montgomery was stationed at Pittsburgh and at other places during the revolutionary war and that the said deponent belonged to the same Regiment with the said Montgomery commanded by Colonel John Gibson and that the said deponent well knew that the said Montgomery was in the Battles of Germantown and Brandywine and that he was in Broadhead's company against the Indians and that he was engaged in building Fort Lawrence and that he afterwards returned to Pittsburgh and further the deponent saith not.

S/ John Phillips, X his mark

[p 3] State of Indiana Decatur County: SS

On this 7th day of October 1822 personally appeared in Open Court of the October term of the Decatur Circuit Court being a court of record for the County aforesaid, Hugh Montgomery aged sixty-eight years the 25th day of February last past who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & the first May 1820 that he the said Hugh Montgomery enlisted for the term of three years in February in the year of our Lord 1777 in Captain James Sullivan's Company commanded by Colonel Russell, in the 9th Virginia Regiment of the line of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued in service in the said Corps and the 9th Virginia Regiment for the term of three years and nine months when he was discharged from the service in the Regiment aforesaid by Colonel John Gibson at Pittsburgh: that he was in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown where General Greene commanded against the British.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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

Schedule

one small mare of the value of	\$25.00
one cow & calf	12.00
Four head of sheep	4.00
Two shoats	3.00

² John Phillips S40261

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Two pots and Bed <u>17.50</u> \$61.50

My occupation is a farmer & from my age and infirmity unable to pursue any business the whole of my family with me consist of myself wife and one boy, the age of my wife is about 62.

S/ Hugh Montgomery

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The State of Ohio Butler County SS

Before me William D Jones one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace in and for said County personally came John Philips of lawful age and after being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that [he] knew Hugh Montgomery who has applied for relief to Congress, to be a private in Captain Sullivan's Company then the 13th Regiment of the Virginia line afterwards commanded by Captain Robert Vance of the 9th Regiment commanded by Colonel John Gibson and that the said Hugh Montgomery is still alive and present at the taking of this deposition and was called a faithful soldier in the revolutionary war and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed to My office this 11th day of April 1825 S/W. D. Jones, JP S/ John Philips, X his mark

[p 9: On January 3, 1855 indicated County Indiana, Henry Montgomery, son of the veteran, filed a claim in which he states his father died in Decatur County Indiana on the 20th day of [written over and illegible appears to be a combination of "April" and "July"]; that the deponent, George Montgomery, Robert Montgomery, Margaret Kershevall, wife of Benjamin Kershevall and Sarah Martin are the children and heirs at law of Hugh Montgomery; that their mother died some 8 years prior to the death of their father; that deponent was born April 29, 1790; that Mary Montgomery (now deceased) was the oldest child of his parents and she was born June 14, 1785; that he has always been informed that his parents were married about 10 months before the birth of Mary; that his mother's name was Eve; that his parents were married at or near Gettysburg in Pennsylvania and that his mother's maiden name was Eve Hartman; that he has frequently heard his father speak of being at the battles of Brandywine, Long Island, Monmouth, Trenton, and at the taking of Lord Cornwallis and other battles not now remembered by the deponent; that his father served again during the War of 1812 from Butler County Ohio under Captain William D Jones; that he makes this application to obtain the pension to which the heirs of his father may be entitled under the laws of the United States of America. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing February 1, 1819, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Hugh Montgomery S35525 & R7318

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 26 Oct 2020.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I do Sertify that Hugh Montgomery Did serve three years i the ninth Virginia Regmt And did Behave himself as a good Soldier

Given under My hand this twentysixth day oct 1789 Robt Vance [Robert Vance VAS348] late Capt of the 9 Virginia Regim't

I do Certify that Robert Vance was a Capt in the 9th Virg'a Reg't and in Capt Sullivans [James Sullivan] Comp'y at the time the above mentioned Hugh Montgomery was in the Service. [undeciphered] Oct'r 25th

1789 Jno Gibson [John Gibson S41578] Late Colo Virg'a Line

To ye Auditors of Public Acc'ts in Virginia

Please to settle up my pay and Depriciation for my services mention'd in the above Certif's and deliver whatever may be due me to Colo. Presley Nevill [BLWt1596-300] or the Bearer hereof and oblige

y'r/ humble Serv't Hugh Montgomery

Feby 22^d 1790 late Soldier in ye 9th Virg'a Reg't

To ye Auditors of public Acc'ts/ Virginia

Stock Hontgomory

Hob Vance

11/2/2001

[From rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

[undeciphered]

Dear Sir [Mr Samuel Godwin/ Union Hotel/ Richmond Va, Pr Capt. Jones] You wil find enclosed in this certificate from Capt. Johnson concerning Hue Montgomery serving in the Revolutionary War Miss Martha Montgomery says she would feel her self under many obligations to you if you would [undeciphered] whether she can obtain aney thing or not from [undeciphered] and write me an answer to this by the first male and direct your letter (Burwells Bay)

Their is no news of importance to relate the Neighbours are [undeciphered] well except Colds. My [undeciphered] to you ours Respectfully/ [undeciphered signature]

Richmond Feby 23rd 1845

Gen'l Richardson

If you recollect Mr Delk and myself had a conversation with you in relation to a claim of Miss Montgomery's and that you thought the certificate of Capt Johnson would be sufficient to establish it, I now enclose it to you, with Mr. Delk letter, I know they are both genuine, the old gentleman Capt J. now 98 years of age is blind but retains his mind, have this day rec'd the letter &c and I leave the city in morning, will you be good enough to attend to this matter and let me know from you, the woman is in abject poverty, my Post office is Smithfield

Very respectfully yours

Samuel Godwin

Sept 1 1847[?] Bounty twice allowed allready. See Extract from Reg. Of. [Register's Office] within Rejected N. T. Daniel L Gov