Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Montgomery S38245 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Note: The images of several pages of this application have been heavily damaged by what appears to be black tape. Rather than insert a note each time the text is compromised by the tape, I have elected to simply include blank brackets ("[]") in the transcript posted below to indicate text which cannot be seen or which I cannot reasonably deduce the intended verbiage.]

Virginia, Isle of Wight County,

On this 4th day of March 1822 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the County of Isle of Wight aforesaid in the State of Virginia, Hugh Montgomery aged about 70 years, 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 [] March 18 1818 and the first of May 1820, that he the said Hugh Montgomery enlisted for the term of two years on the __ day of February A.D. 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Arthur Smith in the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert []¹ in the line of the State of Virginia, on the __ Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in the said Corps until the 15th day of February 1778 when he was discharged from the said service at the Valley Forge [] of Pennsylvania – that he was at the battle of Trenton [December 26, 1776] and that [] the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777], and that he has no other evidence now [] his said services except the Testimony of Samuel McCoy and [].

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 and I am now in need of assistance of my country for support, and have no property real or personal except my bedding and usual wearing apparel.

S/ Hugh Montgomery, X his mark

[] in court to give evidence relative to Hugh Montgomery's entering the service of the United States of America in the Revolutionary War, states that he the said Samuel McCoy² enlisted in

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¹ Robert Lawson was a Lieutenant Colonel in said Regiment at some point during the revolution

² Samuel McCoy S38196

the service of the United States of America [] day of February 1776 in the 4th Virginia Regiment in the Company [] by Captain Arthur Smith and served therein until the 15th day of February 1778 when he was discharged at a place called the Valley Forge [] Hugh Montgomery entered the service of the United States as a [] land service in the revolutionary war to wit, in the above [] Regiment in the above mentioned company at or about the same [] as affiant entered the service and continued therein until the said [] February 1778 when he was honorably discharged and further []

[place where the signature of the affiant or the attesting officer would have appeared has been damaged and there is no indication of any such signatures.]

[] Revolutionary war, states that he the said Thomas Bowden³ enlisted [] the United States of America [] 20th day of February 1776 in the [] Virginia Regiment in the company commanded by Captain Arthur Smith and [] until the 15th of February 1778 when he was discharged at [] the Valley Forge, that the said Hugh Montgomery entered the service of the United States as a private [] service in the Revolutionary [] the 4th Regiment in the [] mentioned company about the same time as affiant entered the service, and continued therein until the 15th day of February 1778 when he was honorably discharged and further saith not.

[If this affidavit is signed by the affiant, the signature is too faint to discern]

I Hugh Montgomery do declare upon oath that I am by profession a house carpenter, have in a great degree lost my eyesight – that I have no [] and lived with my son Robert Montgomery, and I am unable to pursue my profession

S/ Hugh Montgomery, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 4th, 1822, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do certify that Hugh Montgomery entered into the service of the US in the 4th V. Rt. in February 1776 and served for the time he engaged in served frequently thereafter until the period of the capture of Lord Cornwallis.

Given under my hand & seal this 15th November 1807

S/ Josiah Parker, late Colo. 5th V. R

Incap Staker

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³ Thomas Bowden VAS134