## **Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

## Pension application of William Hatcher S41622 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina Caswell County: SS

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 1819 before the Worshipful County Court of Caswell, in open Court while as a Court of record, personally appeared William hatcher aged fifty-six years, resident in Caswell County in the said State who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by 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, the said William Hatcher enlisted for the term of during the war on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year 1780 in \_\_ in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain John Hughes of the first Regiment of Light dragoons commanded by Colonel White [Anthony Walton White] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States, until the year 1783, when he was discharged from service on the Congaree [River] in the State of South Carolina, that he was in the battles of the High Bluffs in Georgia on the Ogeechee, of the battle near Savannah, with some Indians & other skirmishes, and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. Sworn to and declared before the court aforesaid the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

Test Alex Murphey, CCC S/Wm Hatcher

State of North Carolina Caswell County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions October Term 1820 On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in Open Court aforesaid (which is a Court of Record) for the County & State aforesaid William Hatcher aged about fifty Eight years resident in the said State & County who being first sworn duly and according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows in the Company commanded by Captain John Hughes first Regiment of light Dragoons of Virginia on the Continental Establishment, that he has obtained a Pension Certificate on a declaration heretofore made in Caswell County Court as well as he now recollects at an April Court 1818 & that he has received in money as well as he now recollects one hundred eighty-one dollars and some cents (\$181) and that the number of said Certificate is 11.630.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

A Schedule of the property of William Hatcher

1 Cow & calf 4 hogs	\$20.00
2 old hoes, 1 Axe, 2 Ovens, 1 pot, 1 kettle	4.25
-	\$24.25

the said William Hatcher further declares that he has no other in his family then himself and Wife and that he has not been able for many years to labor for his Support Occasioned by a Wounded in one of his hips which at times renders him almost entirely incapable of walking.

S/W Hatcher

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 13, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

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## [From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Certify that William Hatcher was enlisted as a Corporal in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Dragoons in July 1781 and Served to the close of the war.

W/ Chas. Yarbrough, Lt. [Charles Yarbrough] 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. LD June 6, 1784

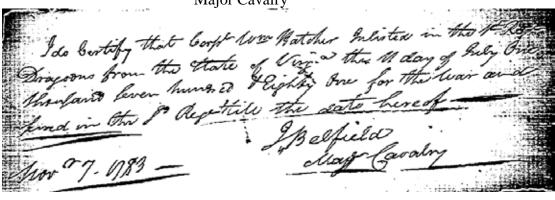
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T. Meriwether

I do Certify that Corporal William Hatcher Enlisted in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Dragoons from the State of Virginia the 11 day of July 1781 for the War and served in the said Regiment till the date hereof.

November 7, 1783

S/ J. Belfield [John Belfield] Major Cavalry



Sir,

Please delivered to James Fear my Land Warrant & you will much oblige Sir

your most Obedient Servant

Richmond 20<sup>th</sup> September 1787 To Colonel Thomas Meriwether

S/ William Hatcher

Teste

John Foster

