Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Hudson S5576

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Virginia to wit

On this 25th day of September 1832 Personally appeared before the Court of the County of Halifax Charles Hudson a resident of the County and State aforesaid in the 74th year of his age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. that he enlisted in the aforesaid County and State in the year 1777 for 3 years with Capt Edward Moody in Colo Thomas Marshalls Regt. of State Artillery and served the aforesaid Term of 3 years in said Regt. and was at the time of his enlistment a resident of the said County and State where he has ever resided since, after he enlisted as aforesaid he marched from the aforesaid County of Halifax through Petersburg, from thence to Cabin Point [in Surry County VA], thence to Williamsburg, thence to Little york, thence to Hampton thence to Portsmouth, and from thence he returned to Little york, thence to Hillsborough in the State of N Carolina and from Hillsborough he marched to Richmond Virginia where he was discharged by Majr John Moseret [sic: John Mazarett] and he left the service the 24th day of August 1780, and his discharge for his services as a Soldier who had served for the term of three years as aforesaid he delivered a few years since to a certain William Faulkner of the County who Promised to try and get him on the pension list which he failed to do. And he the said Faulkner states to him, that his discharge aforesaid is mislaid and therefore he the said Faulkner is unable to return the said discharge to him the said Hudson. He the said Hudson served under the officers before mentioned and also under some of the following officers all of whom belonged to the aforesaid Colo Thomas Marshall's Regt. of State Artillery Regt. Capt Christopher Roan [sic: Christopher Roane, pension application X635], James Bradley, Chas Edmunds [probably Elias Edmunds] and Thomas Marshall, Lieut William Oliver, Cary Wyatt, Yancy Lipscomb, Nathaniel Rice, John Quarles, John Yates and Walter Scott. He the said Hudson further states that he served 2 three months tours of duty as a drafted Militiaman from the aforesaid County and State during the Revolutionary War, he was drafted In January 1781 and entered into the Service under Capt. Joshua Powell and Lieut Charles Walmack he marched from the County of Halifax where he was drafted to Petersburg, thence to Cabin Point where he was transfered to a Company of Light Infantry commanded by Capt Jesse Saunders and from thence was marched to Suffolk & remained there, and thereabout until he was discharged. he was again drafted in a very short time indeed after his return- he marched from the aforesaid County of Halifax where he was drafted under Capt. Michael Roberts to Petersburg, thence to Cabin Point, thence to Williamsburg thence to Little York, where he remained until the Siege of said Place and surrender of Lord Cornwallis on the 19th of October 1781, then and there he was discharged by the said Capt Roberts his discharge for the two last mentioned terms of duty he had in his possession he well recollects several years after the close fo the revolutionary war but at this time he is unable to find them, and he knows of no person by whom he can prove his services as aforesaid He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present, and his claim for his land as a three years Soldier who served the aforesaid term of three years in Colo Thomas Marshalls Regt. of State Artillery as before stated, which land he has as yet been unable to obtain and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I certify that it does not appear by the records of the Land Office that any military warrant was ever issued by the State of Virginia for the services of Charles Hutson.

S/ William Selden, R. L. O. 17 March 1833

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the eighth day of July 1784, in the name of Charles Hutson, as a Soldier of Artillery for £63.1.1, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this eighteenth day of March 1833.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Charles Hudson an old revolutionary Soldier in the County of Halifax and State of Virginia hereby Certify that I served as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War for the term of Three years in Colonel Thomas Marshall's Regiment of State Artillery: and at the expiration of the aforesaid term of Three years I was honorably discharged and my discharge as aforesaid I delivered a few years since to a certain William Faulkner of the said County who promised to try and get me on the Pension list (which he failed to do) and he the said Faulkner notes to me that my discharge aforesaid is mislaid and therefore he is unable to return the said discharge to me.

Given under my hand this 28^{th} day of February 1833.

S/ Charles Hudson, X his mark

[Attested in Halifax County March 2nd, 1833]

Virginia Halifax County Sc.

I William Faulkner do hereby certify that Charles Hudson of said County, an old Revolutionary soldier, put in my hand several years since, (for me to try and get him on the Pension List, which I failed to do) his discharge as a soldier who had served three years in Colonel Thomas Marshall's Regiment of State Artillery, which said discharge is mislaid and therefore I am unable to return the discharge aforesaid to said Hudson. Given under my hand this 28th day of January 1833

S/ Wm Faulkner

[Attested 28th January 1833 in Halifax County Virginia]