## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jesse Hughes S9594 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 12 May 2014.

State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit

On this [blank] day of [blank] 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the County aforesaid Jesse Hughes a resident in the County & State aforesaid aged 76 years who being first 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 County of Fluvanna in the year 1776 in the minute service on State Establishment, to serve one year in the Company Commanded by Roger Thompson Lieutenants George Thompson & James Marks in the Regiment Commanded by Colonels [Samuel] Meredith & [Charles] Dabney, that he marched to Williamsburg & from thence to Burrels Ferry [sic: Burwell's Ferry, at Carter's Grove, James City County], at which place the detachment was ordered against the Indians and marched as far as Long Island on the Holston [at present Kingsport TN] under the command of Col Haynes Morgan Commander in Chief General Guest [probably Gist], who with a part of the detachment marched on to French Broad [River] on to the Cherokee Nation and concluded a Treaty with the Indians [Treaty of Long Island, 20 Jun 1777] after the Treaty came Home & were discharged; Enlisted again in the fall of 1776 [sic] for three years in a company of Artilery commanded by Cap William Pierce. I believe on Continental establishment, marched to York in the winter of 1777 and remained there nearly 12 months, under the command of Col'n Harrisson [sic: Charles Harrison] and Leut. Col'n E Carrington [Edward Carrington] of the County of Cumberland, part of the detachment were ordered & went to Portsmouth Va. being an artificer I remained with Col'n Carrington where my services were most required; In the Spring of 1778 we were marched to the north and joined the American Army at Valley Forge, from thence under the command of Genl [Charles] Scott in the State of New Jersey & was at the Battle of Monmouth in June [28th] 1778. after the Battle of Monmouth I was attached to a detachment of Grenadiers from New England under the command of Major Jackson & marched to Rhode Island & was there under the command of General [John] Sullivan, was engaged in the Battle on Rhode Island the last of August 1778 [Battle of Quaker Hill, 29 Aug 1778] & retreated from there, crossed to Bristol & marched from thence to Providence, from Providence the troops returned to Morristown New iersev and discharge by Col E Carrington. a few weeks before our tour of service expired. we were discharged before our time expired, in prefference to building Barracks & going into winter quarter for a few weeks only. In 1780 I volunteered and served in the South as a Lieutenant in a company commanded by Capt [Thomas] Leftwich of Bedford Va under Col'ns. [George] Stubblefield & [Joseph] Spencer Gen [Edward] Stevens Brigade. was at Gates defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] marched to Hillsboro [sic: Hillsborough NC] discharged in the fall same year. Volunteered one Time as a Leutenant at the Siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct] 1781. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that

his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State. Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid Jegse Hughes no

[Certified 30 Aug 1832]

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Jesse Hughes a Soldier, and an officer of the Revolutionary War, respectfully represents, to the Executive of Virginia. That in the Spring of the year 1776 he enlisted as a Soldier in a Company commanded by Capt. Roger Thompson, called minute men, for twelve months, and served at various places in eastern and western Virginia until the fall of that year. Whilst in eastern Va. he was attached to Col. Merediths [probably Thomas Meredith's] Reg't. He then, in the fall of the same year, enlisted for three years in

Capt. William Pierce's Company of Artillery on Continental establishment and was attached to Col. Charles Harrison's Regiment. During this service he was mostly in the northern states, and fought in the battle of Monmouth (which took place, as well as he recollects the 28<sup>th</sup> June 1778.) was also in the siege of Rhode Island – was stationed some time at Providence and finally discharged, near the end of the year 1779 – at Morris Town N.J.

In the spring of the year 1780 he volunteered as Lieutenant in Capt Joseph Hadens company of Virginia Militia for six months, and marched to the South, where he fought in the battle of Campden and Gates's defeat, and was discharged at Hillsborough N.C. In the summer of 1781 he was drafted as Lieutenant with a detachment of Virginia Militia for three months service, but owing to an attack of the small pox, was unable to march with his men, and remained at home on Furlough the greater part of the time for which he was drafted. he however joined the army near York Town the day after the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] and was shortly thereafter discharged. His discharges have been either lost or mislaid, and from the death of his comrades in service, at this late period, is unable to prove positively his services. He submits however the evidence of Jesse Sanders [pension application S7440] and Charles Clements [S8214] the companions of his youth & who has ever since, been well acquainted with him, and who also served in the Revolutionary War, but not in the same corps, with this memorialist except a period the time with Jesse Sanders. For the above services he has received very little compensation and is now upwards of 80 years of age. resides in the County of Fluvanna, where he has lived nearly the whole of his lifetime. He is now receiving from the United States under the Law of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 a pension of one hundred dollars per annum

This memorialist therefore prays, that whatsoever may be due him for the services above enumerated, either in land or money, may be now granted.

[6 Dec 1837]

## Fluvanna County Towit

Jesse Sanders a Soldier of the Revolution, who states that he is now eighty five years of age, and which statement I have reason to believe is true, this day personally appeared before me John Winn a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid and made Oath, That he was well acquainted with Jesse Hughes the foregoing memorialist, previous to the Revolutionary War. That he served with him in the Southern Campaign under Capt. Joseph Haden, only. That he has often heard him speak of the other services mentioned in his memorial, & has every reason to believe he served as he states. That he is now living near him, and that he has always been reputed and believed, in the neighbourhood in which he lives, to have been a soldier of the Revolution. He distinctly recollects that the said Hughes was a Commissioned officer in Capt. Hadens company, but cannot say of what grade. Given under my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 1837.

## Fluvanna County To Wit.

Charles Clements, a soldier and Pensioner of the Revolutionary War, aged seventy eight years, this day personally appeared before me John Winn a Justice of the Peace for the said County and made Oath; That he was well acquainted with Jesse Hughes the foregoing memorialist previous to the war of the Revolution. That he has known him ever since, and now lives a near neighbour to him. That altho' he did not serve with him, he has every reason to believe, he served as he states. That he is a man of truth and respectability, and that he never heard any person doubt his having served in the war of the Revolution. Given under my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 1837.

Bounty land is allowed in this case for a service of three years as a private in Continental line

D Campbell [David Campbell, Governor]/ 7<sup>th</sup> April 1838

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document states that the children of Jesse Hughes received the final pension payment up to the date of his death on 1 Mar 1838.