Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hubbs W1035 Mary Hubbs f86SC Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves 1/11/11: rev'd 11/3/22

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State of Kentucky County of Knox: Sct

On this 24th day of March 1834 personally appeared before Joseph Eve sole judge of the Knox Circuit Court John Hubbs a resident of Indian Creek in the County of Knox and State of Kentucky aged seventy years past 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 the 7th 1832.

He states that he volunteered in Edgefield County State of South Carolina for a tour of six months in the year 1781 under Capt. James Carson – Lieut. Stokely Toes [?] ensign Samuel Linkfield he does not feel confident about the names of his Lieutenant & Ensign no Col., Major or General was with the company during that my service – Gen. Pickens [Andrew Pickens] issued orders for our Capt. (Carson) to be governed by.

He states that he was never in any General Battle or skirmish – that he was forted a portion of the time at William Anderson where a block house was erected the balance of the time whilst out of this Fort or Blockhouse. He was engaged in scouring the Country and disarming and dispersing the Tories – This he understood was the prime object for which he volunteered. He rarely passed beyond the line of Edgefield and when he did so nothing happened that is now remembered worth detailing. I left the service about the close of 1781 or beginning of 1782 he states that he served out the 6 months but he received no written discharge for this service – he drew his pay from Charleston and got also what they called indents which entitle the holder to land – some interest had accrued upon his indents and this was received by the state in the way of taxes he states that he performed this service as a private soldier.

He also states that before this service he performed many short tours – but which owing to the lapse of time and the consequent loss of memory he cannot so describe as to enable him to set up claim for them.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll or agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

John Hubbs

¹ The images of the documents in this file are much more legible as posted on Ancestry.com than those posted on Fold3.com.

To Quere [sic, Query or Interrogatory]² 1. I do not know with certainty but from the best information I have I was born near the Hanging Rock in South Carolina in December between the 25th & 31st 1763.

To Quere 2nd. I have no record of my age, the Bible which contained it was burnt when I was a young man.

To Quere 3rd. I was living in Edgefield County when called into this service – Since the Revolution I moved from Edgefield to Knox County Tennessee where I resided until a few weeks since I took up my residence in Knox County Kentucky where I expect to continue to reside.

To Quere 4th. I volunteered

To Quere 5th. I never served with any Continental Officers or regiments nor with any militia Regiments.

To Quere 6th. I never received a written discharge from the service.

To Quere 7th. I am acquainted with Samuel Logan, Levi Campbell, Solomon Terrill and John Logan who I doubt not if present would testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution.

Sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Hubbs

[Samuel Logan and Samuel Terrill gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 13: On July 6, 1853 in Knox County Tennessee, William Hickle and Callaway Kelly testified that John Hubbs, a revolutionary veteran, died about September 12, 1844 at the home of John Hubbs, Junior, in Grainger County Tennessee.]

[p 15: Marriage bond issued December 17, 1818 in Grainger County Tennessee to John Hubbs and Hugh Jones to secure the marriage of John Hubbs to Polly Hill.]

[p 19: On September 16, 1853 in Knox County Tennessee, Mary Hubbs filed a claim for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of John Hubbs, a revolutionary pensioner; that she married him December 17 1819; that her husband died September 12, 1844.



[The widow survived the Civil War and in 1865 she stated she was 80 years old and living in Knox County Tennessee with her son Hugh Hubbs; in 1869 she was living in Union County

² Here the veteran begins to answer the 7 interrogatories promulgated by the War Department to be put to each applicant for a pension. Those 7 interrogatories were as follows:

^{1&}lt;sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

^{2&}lt;sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

^{3&}lt;sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

^{4&}lt;sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

^{5&}lt;sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

^{6&}lt;sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it? 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Tennessee: there is a statement dated 1854 in which it is stated that the widow's first husband was killed or died at Lookout Mountain in the War of 1812.]

[p 73: On June 20, 1843 in Grainger County Tennessee, John Hubbs, Junior and William Hubbs gave supporting testimony to the application for a transfer of pension benefits filed by John

Hubbs, Senior.

John Hubbs Just [Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount

South Carolina Audited Accounts³ relating to John Hubbs Audited Account No. 2823

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No. 60

June 24th 1785 [Book] T [No.] 410

Mr. John Hubbs his Account of Militia Duty as Private since the reduction of Chs. Town [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency

Stg. [Sterling] £16.11.5

Ex^d. W.R. [Examined by W. R. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

Received 24 June 1785 full Satisfaction for the Within in an Indent No. 410 Book T S/ Bartlet Bledsoe

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State So. Carolina Dr [Debtor] to John Hubbs for Duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant]

£116 £16.11.5 Stg.

[p 4] Gentlemen

Please deliver to Mr. Hezekiah Gentry my Indent and Interest due me from the Public for

³ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

Services done the State and Returned by Colonel Anderson and you'l oblige Gentlemen your Humble Servant S/ John Hubbs, X his mark

To the Treasurers of the State

State South Carolina Edgefield County

John Hubbs this day came before me and made oath that he never gave any order for the above Indent until this Present one and that he never drew any part thereof – and I do certify that he signed the above before me the 26^{th} January 1786

S/Wm Anderson, JP

I Sine [sic, assign] over this order to Bartlett Bledsoe

S/ Hezekiah Gentry



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Saving twenty five Dollars for the use of paying My own Land bounty I alow [sic, allow] and authorize the within Mentioned Hezekiah Gentrey [sic] to use and Lay out all or as Much of my Indents as he shall think proper. Given under my hand 9 July 1786

S/ John Hubbs, X his mark

[p 6: Printed form of Indent No. 410 Book T]

[p 7: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements, among others by Bartelel Bledsoe who signature appears as follows:

Is his name really "Bartlett Bledsoe" instead of what I see as Bartelel Bledsoe, a Christian name I've never encountered before.]