Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Hugh Harris W25743

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Be it remembered that on the 17th day of October 1823 personally State of Tennessee appeared in open Court the subscriber Hugh Harris aged sixty eight Washington County } years & a resident citizen of sd County & being desiring of obtaining the provisions made for the indigent [one or two words illegible] of the continental line of troops in the revolutionary war and made oath according to law- in said Court being a Court of record for sd County- that he said Hugh Harris enlisted in Orange County State of North Carolina into the Continental service of the United States in the Revolutionary war into the 4th Regiment of North Carolina continental troops for two years and one-half which enlistment was under Cap'n. Roger Moore of sd 4th Regiment- which was commanded by General Francis Nash- which enlistment was in the month of May 1776 as well as now recollected at this late period of time- under which enlistment so made for two years & one half he served faithfully and was in the battles of Germantown, Monmouth and several other engagements. at the expiration of which time of enlistment he sd deponent again enlisted for six months in Halifax North Carolina under William Goodman and was at the expiration of his servitude discharged by Colonel Clark at Paramus East Jersey which discharge he kept for a considerable length of time until apprehending it would be of no further use to him he became careless of the same and finally lost said discharge - he states further states that he has never been placed on any pension list of the United States, and that he stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support- And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States of America on the 18th day of March 1818, that I have not since that time sold devised transferred or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof so as to bring myself within the provisions of acts of Congress and that he does not possess any property or income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed.

to wit

one mare & colt \$50 one cow & calf 10 some dresser &

cupboard furniture 10

amounting in the whole to the sum of 70

that he has an old woman aged as well as himself

Sworn to & Subscribed before me in open Court this 16th Oct 1823

Hugh hisXmark Harris

State of No. Carolina Secretary's Office 6th Ap'l. 1824

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid do certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this state in the revolutionary war, that Hugh Harris a private was mustered in [blank] Company of the 10th Reg't. on the 20th May 1776 for 3 years, that he was a Corp'l on the 10th Nov'r. 1778, and discharged the 20th May 1779.

NOTE: On 5 Mar 1855 Elizabeth Harris applied for a pension stating that she married Hugh Harris on 5 Sep 1834 in Washington County TN, and he died in that county on 13 Feb 1855. The file includes a license for the marriage of Hugh Harris and Elizabeth Jackson and a return for the marriage performed by Wm. S. Erwin, Justice of the Peace. On 29 May 1855 at age 75 Elizabeth Harris applied for bounty land. On 15 Sep 1866 when about 90, Elizabeth Harris applied for a restoration of her pension, which had been suspended during the Civil War, during which time she had subsisted "solely from gratuitous contributions of friends."