## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Littleton Hunt W3820 Transcribed by Will Graves Sarah Hunt

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## State of Georgia County of Gwinnett: SS

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord a resident of the County of Gwinnett and State of Georgia aged ninety or ninety-one years on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March last 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832, that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in (as he believes) February 1777 with Isaac Hicks and served in the Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers, General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh], Colonels James Scriven [James Screven] and James Ray, Captain Isaac Hicks – first Lieutenant Thomas Thrudgil [Thomas Threadgill], 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Jabez Norrington, Ensign John Meanly – Sergeant Watham Norrington – that he left the service in February 1779 having served two years, that he enlisted in Brunswick County State of Virginia and previously resided in Mecklenburg County in the same State, that he marched through a part of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia and was discharged in savanna Georgia. That he enlisted again early in the Spring of 1780 at Mecklenburg Court House in Virginia under Captain Medici [possibly Cosmo de Medici] who was a Frenchman – that the field officers were General Green [Nathanael Greene], Colonels Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & Washington [William Washington], that he left the service sometime in the year 1781, the particular date not recollected, that he fought and was wounded (and in consequence is now a cripple) at both the battles of the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], in South Carolina and at Guilford C. H. [March 15, 1781] in North Carolina.

And 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 of any agency in any State.

S/ Littleton Hunt

[p 40: Mitchell Bennett, a clergyman, and Elisha Winn gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Georgia Gwinnett County: Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Littleton Hunt who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he did not recollect some particulars of his service in the revolutionary war which he now begs leave to state. That for two years he served as an

enlisted Soldier - that he enlisted in the service of the United States in Mecklenburg County Virginia under Captain Isaac Hicks – that he marched through North Carolina & South Carolina to Savannah Georgia, that he recollects that Gideon Booker was at Savannah with a company from Prince Edward County Virginia & also that there was a Captain McLain there with a company from Virginia – that he was ordered from Savannah under Colonel Screven to Fort Barrington on the Altamaha River 65 miles south of Savannah, Staid there about 9 months – marched from thence to Goose Ponds – from thence to Midway about 15 miles from Savannah to Colonel Screven's plantation – from thence to Augusta – from thence back to Savannah & from thence to Fort Barrington & from thence to Darian 18 miles below Fort Barrington, from thence to Savannah where I was discharged by Colonel Screven having served two years as above stated. And deponent further states that he again enlisted in a Company of Cavalry in Mecklenburg County under Captain Medici – that he marched to Halifax old Town North Carolina – thence was employed on various services in harassing the British & Tories and finally embodied with the main Army commanded by General Green near Guilford Court House was at the Battle of Guilford Court House and was wounded in the left thigh by a splinter – from the battleground we were ordered to rendezvous at Ramsour's Mills where we arrived – and from thence to Hillsborough where I was confined in consequence of my wound sometime in a large white Church which was our Hospital – from thence marched to Stono had a night skirmish with Captain Daniel McGirt a Tory Captain – that he was at the battle of Eutaw Springs and received a severe wound in the leg and was finally discharged in Hillsboro North Carolina having served one year – That he entered the service again in Mecklenburg County Virginia in a company of volunteer Cavalry commanded by Captain Binns Jones, that said Corps was employed chiefly in driving stock beyond the reach of Cornwallis Army & in various ways harassing the enemy until Cornwallis Army arrived at Little York and after his capture [October 19, 1781] was employed in disarming Tories in North & South Carolina and was finally discharged at Harrisburg North Carolina having served twelve months – and Deponent further states that he was born in Mecklenburg County Virginia – that he was born in the year 1741 or 1742 – that he has no record of his age – and that Mitchell Bennett a minister of the Gospel & Elijah Winn Esquire – Reverend Hosea Camp – Major M. C. Montgomery, Colonel Nathan L. Hutchins &c &c can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution – And for all of the above foregoing services deponent claims a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1833.

S/ Isaac Gilbert, JP

S/ Littleton Hunt

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State of Georgia Gwinnett County

Personally came before me William A. Trice acting Justice of the peace for said County Matthew Tanner (aged in his 78<sup>th</sup> year) and being duly sworn deposeth & saith that he was intimately acquainted with Littleton Hunt before the revolutionary war and that he said Hunt in February 1777 did enlist as a private soldier under the command of Captain Isaac Hix [sic] and served two years as a soldier in defense of his Country. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1833

S/ Matthew Tanner

[p 6: newspaper obituary for the veteran:

## Death by Drowning

We are informed that on the night of the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. Mr. Littleton Hunt of Gwinnett County was found dead in the Apalachie [River] in the County, supposed to have been drowned by the horse on which he was riding getting into deep water. Mr. Hunt is said to have been about 107 years old. He was a soldier of the revolution, serving in the war five years; was severely wounded at the battle of the Eutaw Springs; default at the battle of Guilford, and performed about twelve months duty in the neighborhood of Savannah. A braver man, in all probability, never drew a sword in defense of his country. He was a native of Virginia, but had been for the last 20 years a citizen of Gwinnett County.

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[p 4: On May 21, 1844 in Gwinnett County Georgia, Sarah Hunt, 69, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Littleton Hunt, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was married to him in Wilkes County Georgia by a justice of the peace named Jones; that they were married in the month of May 1789; that her husband died March 11 1843; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 12: On May 24, 1844 in Gwinnett County Georgia, Richard Winn of Hall County Georgia gave testimony that Sarah Hunt an applicant for a pension is his sister and the widow of Littleton Hunt who died March 11, 1843; that affiant's father lived in South Carolina on the Savannah

River; that he recalls having heard older members of his Father's family say that Littleton Month and his sister Sarah had gone away to get married contrary to the affiants Father's wishes; that affiant moved to Georgia in 1800 or 1801 and that his sister had married 10 or more years before affiant moved from South Carolina.]

[Facts summarized in the file as follows:

In 1794 Sarah and the soldier were residing in Abbeville District, South Carolina; in 1803, they were residents of Jackson County, Georgia, and in 1806, were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church there.

Soldier's widow, Sarah Hunt, was allowed pension on her application executed May 21, 1844, at which time she was aged 69 years and a resident of Hall County, Georgia.

It was stated that Littleton Hunt and his wife, Sarah, reared a family of children, but no names were designated as such in the claim.

In 1833, one Elisha Winn was residing in Gwinnett County, Georgia, and stated that he had known the soldier, Littleton Hunt, 45 years or upwards, his relationship to soldiers wife, Sarah, not shown, and his age was not stated.

In 1843, Richard Winn, Sarah Hunt's brother, was living in Hall County, Georgia, to which state he went to live in 1800 or 1801. In 1844, one Richard D. Winn was acting Justice of the Inferior Court for Gwinnett County, Georgia, relationship to the family not given. In 1844, one Elizabeth H Winn who was born April 2, 1780, stated in Gwinnett County, Georgia, that she was married February 11, 1796 to Lemuel Winn, and that she was born and reared within 3 miles of the home of Sarah Hunt's father, no relationship stated.

In 1845, Lucretia Winn stated that she married Sarah Hunt's brother in 1790, but did not designate his name, nor give her maiden name. She and her husband moved in 1822 from Georgia to Alabama, and in 1845 they were residing in Tuscaloosa County, that state."

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]