Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Mills, W3853 Keron Happach (Happoch)Mills
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State of Georgia, Fayette County)

On this third day of September one thousand eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared before the Inferior Court of the county aforesaid while sitting for ordinary purposes & styled the Court of Ordinary Moses Mills a resident in the county of Fayette and state of Georgia aged eighty five years who being 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, 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1776 with Captain Thomas Threat & served in the Fourteenth Regiment of the Virginia line under the following officers Colonel Lewis. Thinks his name was Charles Lewis. As to the remaining field officers belonging to said Regiment he is unwilling at this time to trust his recollection. That the Company to which he belonged was commanded by Captain Thomas Threat & Lieutenants Nathaniel Terrell and William Pointer, the name of the ensign he does not recollect. That he enlisted in the county of Halifax in the state of Virginia in the fall of the year 1776, that he was at that time a resident of said county of Halifax in the state of Virginia, that he continued in the service of the United States for the term of three years, the full term of his enlistment, and was discharged in the state of New York in the fall of 1779, that from Halifax county in Virginia he marched by way of Baltimore in Maryland to Philadelphia and joined General Washington's army at Valley Forge, that he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777] and Monmouth CH [June 28, 1778], that he was at the taking of a fort at Kings Ferry on York River and that he was in the attack upon Powliss Hook [Paulus Hook, August 19, 1779], New York, besides afterward in the militia service he was at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] near Camden, SC and at the siege of little York [culminating in the surrender of Lord Cornwallis October 19, 1781]

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn and subscribed on day & year aforesaid.

his Moses X Mills mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4^{th} , 1831, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 4: On January 14, 1839, in Fayette County Georgia, Keron Happock Mills, 75, applied for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Moses Mills, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolutionary war; that she married him December 8, 1787; that her husband died July 2, 1833. She signed her application with her mark.]

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This are to certify that Keron Happock Rather daughter of the deceased James & Lucy Rather is at this time about the age of twenty-four years, and is willing to be married to Moses Mills. Given under my hand this 3rd day of December 1787

S/ Francis Clark
S/ James X Mills

[p 9: Copy of a marriage bond issued in Charlotte County Virginia December 3rd, 1787 to Moses Mills & Francis Clark conditioned upon the marriage of Moses Mills to Keron Happock Rather.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

[Note: the left margin of this document is cut off and compromised so I have transcribed it by line to indicate the missing text]

are to certify that Moses Mills private in the

Virginia Regiment enlisted in the Continental

5th December 1776 to serve three years which

he has faithfully served & is accordingly

[disch]arged. Given at Camp near Morristown 5th

1779

S/ Jno Marks, Capt

for service ending

S/ B. Ball Lt. Col. Comdt.

S/ T. Moriwether

S/ Muhlenberg Pr. Gorl

S/ T. Meriwether S/ Muhlenberg Br. Genl.

84 S/ Jno. White