Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hicks W4695 Elizabeth Hicks f36NC fo Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves 5/3/11: rev'd 7/25/22

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State of North Carolina Person County: SS

On this 22nd day of June A.D. 1843, Personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Person and State of North Carolina aforesaid Elizabeth Hicks a resident of Person County aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 7, 1838, entitled An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That she is the widow of John Hicks who was a Soldier in the Army of the Revolution & served 2 or 3 Tours in the Militia, in what Company I never understood, and then enlisted in the Continental line of the State of North Carolina and served as set forth & as stated by the Secretary of State of North Carolina which is herewith transmitted. She further declares that she was married to the said John Hicks on the __day of December 1785 and that her husband the aforesaid John Hicks died on the 25th day of April 1824, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to 1 January 1794, viz., at the time above stated.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court before the justices aforesaid on the day and year above written.

S/ Charles Mason, clerk

S/ Elizabeth Hicks, X her Mark

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State that John Hicks a private Soldier in Captain Williams's Company of the 5th Regiment, enlisted in the year 1777 for 2 ½ years, that a Warrant for 640 Acres bounty land, issued for the services of John Hicks on 30 September 1785 No. 2931.

Given under my hand this 14th of February 1843 S/Wm Hill

[p 14: family record: The ages of John Hicks children Fanney Hicks was born April 9, 1787 Polley Hicks was born September 29, 1789 Larkin Hicks was born April the 1st 1791 Sary Hicks was born February 18, 1795 Aanna Hicks was born March 14, 1798 Joseph Hicks was born February 6 1801 John Hicks was born November 2nd 1803 Alexander Hicks was born January 20

[p 33: On June 19, 1843 in Orange County North Carolina, John Porterfield, ¹ a revolutionary pensioner and resident of said County gave testimony that he was acquainted with John Hicks in the Army of the revolution and that he knew of no other soldier by that name who served in the revolution and that he is the same John Hicks whose widow Elizabeth Hicks is making application for a pension. He signed his affidavit with his mark]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1848, for her husband's service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

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¹ John Porterfield W1995