Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Hulme X917¹ Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee Williamson County

On this 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court the Circuit Court of Williamson County State of Tennessee before his Honor Thomas Stuart Judge &c George Hulme a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 71 years in October next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the subjoined declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in the County of Amelia State of Virginia on the 25th of October 1761 as appears by a record of his age in his father's family Bible now in possession of another member of his father's family, in the County of Wilkes North Carolina. His father moved when he was very young to the County of Northampton in the State of North Carolina and there my father died about the commencement of the war. His mother then returned to the County of Amelia Virginia where they resided until this applicant went into the service. He does not recollect when that was exactly but he thinks it was before he was of age to be drafted and must have been in 1776 or 1777. He was not old enough to be himself drafted but went as a substitute for a man whose name he does not now recollect under the command of Captain William Jones to Halifax town in North Carolina, thence Captain Jones returned home and this applicant was affixed to the company of Captain William Gerald and Lieutenant Pleasant Roberts, General David Mason was Commander in Chief of the forces at Halifax. They marched from Halifax to Oxford where they were joined by a body of troops under Colonel Burwell and thence they marched to South Carolina by the way of Salisbury part of these troops were in the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] but this applicant was sick in hospital at the time of the action which took place he recollects distinctly in his hearing. He remained with the troops until they were discharged in Campden [sic, Camden] but he never received a written discharge from the service. He was engaged to serve 6 months after crossing the line of North Carolina, but was out 9 months. The officers of the Army whose names he recollects as having seen them in this service were General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], Colonel Pulaski, Colonel Washington [William Washington], Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee].

At the time of Arnold's [Benedict Arnold's] invasion he was drafted into the Virginia

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¹ The cover sheet of this application contains the following note: "Margaret Hulme, widow of the above soldier, applied for pension as the former widow of Anthony Sharp or Sharpe, NC, R 5366." Interestingly, her claim in that matter was denied on the basis that under the 1838 act a widow of two soldiers of the revolution was only entitled to the pension benefit due her second husband. This file contains no indication that she ever applied for a pension based on the services of her second husband. See Anthony Sharp (Sharpe) R5366

militia and marched to Richmond, Petersburg and towards the seaboard nearly to Suffolk and continued with the troops until they were dismissed, but how long that was he does not recollect. He was to have been dismissed at Petersburg but a curious accident fixed him in the service until it was completed.

After the war about the time when peace was made between the United States and England his mother moved with the whole of her family to the County of Surry North Carolina – afterwards to Wilkes County North Carolina – lived there till 1803 then moved to this County of Williamson where he has lived ever since. He knows of no body by whom he can prove the facts above stated except so far as they may be proved by the certificate of his brother Robert Hulme hereto annexed. He has no papers to prove his ever having been in the service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State. This applicant is well known to Garner McConnico and Robert Davis Clergyman and Thomas Hardeman and Nicholas Scales residence of the County and State aforesaid who can Certify to his reputation as a soldier of the revolution and to his character for veracity.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court 3rd September 1832

S/ Preston Hay, Clerk &c

S/ G Hulme

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[Garner McConnico and Robert Davis, clergymen, and Nicholas Scales and Thomas Hardeman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I Robert Hulme a resident of the County of Williamson State of Tennessee do hereby certify that I am the brother of George Hulme whose name is signed above. That I recollect his return from his first service in the War of the Revolution – that his mother and family had heard he was dead and lamented him as such for several months. I also recollect his having served afterwards as he states but I was young at the time and my recollection is not very accurate.

S/Robt. Hulme

Williamson County State of Tennessee

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the Peace in and for the County of Williamson and State of Tennessee George Hulme who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he served in the Regiment of Colonel Lew. Burwell [Lewis Burwell] & Wm Garrett & my Captain in that tower [tour] but serving different towers I do not recollect the rest during the whole time that he served in the Revolutionary Army of the United States.

S/G. Hulme

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of July 1833 S/ G. L. Nolen, J P

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]