

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Record of Moses Hawkins BLWt1449-300 Lucy Hawkins f20VA
BLWt1847-300

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Virginia to wit

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Court house the 24th day of November 1828
Satisfactory evidence was adduced in court to prove that William S Hawkins is the son and only
heir at law in fee to Moses Hawkins deceased late a Captain in the 9th Regiment of the Virginia
line on Continental establishment.

[Certified by Gustavus A. Wingfield deputy clerk of Bedford County November 26, 1828.]

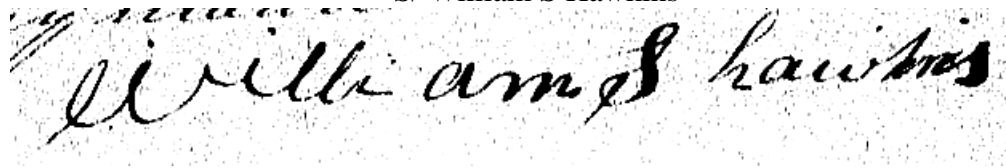
State of Virginia County of Bedford

I William S Hawkins son and only heir at law of Moses Hawkins deceased do upon oath
testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that Moses Hawkins into the Army for
the term of during the war in 1776 and acted in the capacity of a Captain in Regiment number
died under the command of Colonel Matthews of the Virginia Continental line, and that he
continued in the service aforesaid until the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] at which
place he was slain by the enemy.

I further declare that have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to
Moses Hawkins on the part of the United States, neither do I believe that he ever received it or
transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever.

S/ Jno. Steel

S/ William S Hawkins

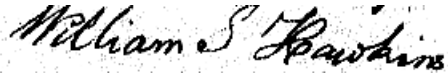
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William S Hawkins". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat stylized and slanted to the right.

[Attested in Bedford County Virginia November 29, 1828]

State of Kentucky Woodford County Sct.

I William S Hawkins son and heir at law of Moses Hawkins deceased do upon Oath
testify and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief my father said Moses Hawkins
was a Captain of the Virginia line of the Army of the revolution and fell in the Battle commonly
called the Battle of Germantown. I do also further testify and declare that I have never had any
time obtained a Warrant from the United States for the bounty Land due me in right of my late
father neither have I disposed of my right to the same to anyone, nor do I believe that my said
father ever did. Given under my hand this 7th day of November 1831

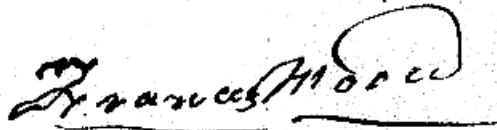
S/ William S Hawkins



State of Kentucky Woodford County Sct.

I certify that this day Francis Moore Esquire a witness of Credibility personally appeared before me Herman Bowman a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County and made Oath that he heretofore resided in the County of Orange in the State of Virginia and that Moses Hawkins deceased above named was a Citizen of said County of Orange and that he said Affiant was acquainted [with] him and related to him. And that said Moses Hawkins was a Captain in the Virginia line of the Army of the Revolution, and that it was ever since the Battle of Germantown reputed and believed him to have fallen in the said Battle, and that William S Hawkins above named & to whom Declaration this affidavit is annexed was his only son and eldest child at the deceased of said Moses. And that the Affiant was well acquainted with said William S Hawkins at and before the time of his said father's Death & intimately acquainted with said William S Hawkins ever since. Subscribed by said witness this 7th day of November 1831

S/ Francis Moore

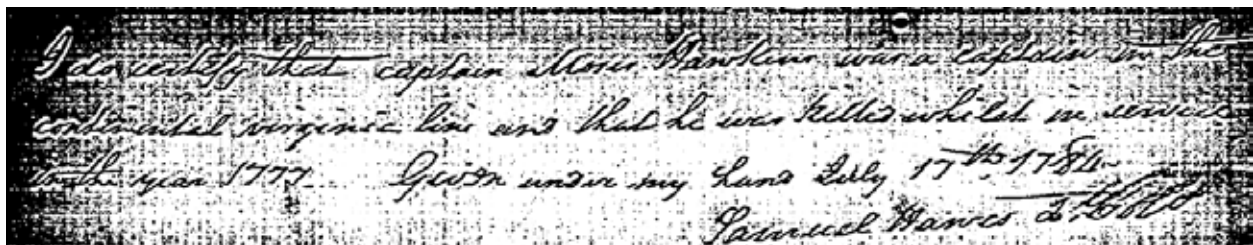


[pp 4-5: Affidavits given January 9, 1832 from James Thornton and Presley N. Obannon stating their acquaintance with William S Hawkins as the son and heir of Moses Hawkins reputed to have fallen at the battle of Germantown.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do certify that Captain Moses Hawkins was a Captain in the Continental Virginia line and that he was killed whilst in service in the year 1777. Given under my hand July 17th, 1784

S/Samuel Hawes, Lieutenant Colonel



[another file]

State of Kentucky Woodford County Sct.

At a County Court held for said County at the court house in the Town of Versailles On Monday the 7th day of January 1833

It was proved to the Satisfaction of the Court before Samuel Berry, John Steel, William

Woolbridge, Thomas McAshford and Bennet Gilhouse [?] Justices Composing the Court, by the Testimony of Colonel Abraham Buford, the credibility of whom is duly Certified, That Moses Hawkins was duly Commissioned a Captain in the Army of the revolution in the year 1776 in the Regiment that said Buford Commanded, on Continental establishment, and that said Hawkins was while in command slain in the Battle of German Town, to his said Buford's personal knowledge. That said Hawkins left at his death William Hawkins of Woodford County Kentucky his heir at law which is ordered to be Certified to all whom it may concern.
[Certified by John McKinney, Junior clerk of the court]

To the Governor & Council

In the case of Moses Hawkins he appears to have been killed in the battle on 4th of October 1777, was commissioned a Captain in 1776, has received 4000 acres of land years since, last winter and application was made by my agent to procure the quantity of 666 2/3 acres the additional quantity due him as though he had served to the close of the war, the Governor and Council mistook the application and re-allowed 4000 acres which was not intended to be asked for, much less received.

I now wish a decision whether William S Hawkins is to receive as the heir at law of Moses Hawkins deceased 666 2/3 acres the additional allowance under the acts Virginia Hering Statutes at large 10 volume page 160 = 1 11 Vol. page 84 as though he had served to the Close of the War which Point is respectfully submitted,

Yours

S/ Wm H. Todd
for Moses Hawkins deceased

[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Henrico County Legislative Petitions

To the Hon. the Speaker and Gentleman of the House of Delegates

The petition of Lucy Coleman humbly sheweth that her former husband Moses Hawkins was Captain in the Continental Service was killed at the Battle of Garmon Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777] and she his widow not knowing that she had any wright [right] to half pay for seven years or During her widowhood, she never applied to the Auditors of public Accounts till after her intermarriage with Thomas Coleman – But being since informed that she had a wright to half pay during her widowhood that then I applied to the Auditors and they directed her to Apply to the Honorable Council who has rejected her Claim. She therefore prays your Honorable House will take her case under your Consideration and grant her such relief she shall Appear to be entitled to and your petitioner will ever pray &c

S/ Lucy Coleman

[Reverse]

Coleman's Pet.
November 14th 1786
ref'd to Claims
Mr. Porter
November 16th, 1786

Reasonable
Reported

Auditors Office 27 March 1786

It does not appear that Mrs. Lucy Hawkins (now Mrs. Coleman) widow of Capt. Moses Hawkins who was killed at Germantown has received any pension. The Children have been allowed from her intermarriage for 2 years, 3 months & 9 days half pay

S/ Jno. Pendleton

Council Chamber November 13 [17]86

The within application for a Pension was rejected because of the intermarriage of applicant.

S/ A. Blair, C. C.

Henrico to wit

This Day William Strother came before me John Pendleton a magistrate for said County and made oath that the widow of Capt. Moses Hawkins who was Slain in the Battle of Germantown, who is his Daughter, married Thomas Coleman sometime in the latter part of the year of our Lord 1781 or 1782. Given from under my hand this 9th day of November 1786.

S/ Jno. Pendleton