

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hill R21669

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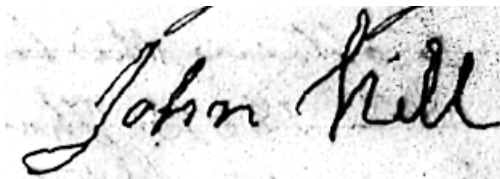
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State of Tennessee, County of DeKalb

On this 3rd day of August 1846 personally appeared before the County Court of DeKalb County now sitting John Hill a Resident of DeKalb County and State aforesaid aged Eighty one years the 25th of the present Instant who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he volunteered in the Service of the United States in Richmond County State of North Carolina in October 1780 for three months under Captain William Wall commanded by Colonel Thomas Crawford in pursuing the Tories who were murdering and plundering the inhabitants in various parts of North and South Carolina part of his time in pursuing Colonel Fanning [David Fanning] Col. Elrod [John Elrod] and Captain McCoy the officers and leaders of the Tories as they was called at that time he was at the skirmish at the Shoe Heel one near Little Pedee in South Carolina and one at Betties Bridge [August 4, 1781]¹ on Drowning Creek North Carolina when General Wade [Thomas Wade] was defeated by Hector McNeal [Hector McNeill] the Tories' Commander besides great many small engagements not at present recollected and was on the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River], Rocky, Deep and Cat Fish rivers through various parts of them constantly volunteering at different time his time when his time would expire and serving in all Twelve months until the surrender of Cornwallis at Little York and was discharged at Rockingham Richmond County North Carolina by Colonel Thomas Crawford and retired from service the declarant was not acquainted with the officers of regiments as he was not with the Main Army he further asserts that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service also the Cause of his not making earlier application for a pension was that he never would apply until he has become old and unable to labor for his Support of late years and being in indigent circumstances. 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. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Hill

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Hill". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured surface.

The declarant in Reply to the Interrogatories as is required by the Regulations of the war

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_beattis_bridge.html

department doth Reply to Question 1 that he was born in Richmond County State of North Carolina in the year 1765. Answer to Question 2 he has a record of his age but it is in his Mother's Bible in the State of Alabama. Answer 3 when called into service he lived in Richmond County North Carolina since the Revolutionary War he lived upwards of 10 years in North Carolina and upwards of 25 years in South Carolina and 32 years in the State of Tennessee and continues to live in Tennessee Question 4th he volunteered at different times under Captain William Wall and Colonel Thomas Crawford in pursuit of the Tories in retaking of plundering property from them Answer to Question 5th he was not acquainted with any officers of regiments as he did not belong to the Main Army. Question 6th he Received a discharge from Colonel Thomas Crawford and brought it with him to Tennessee and it has been carelessly lost or mislaid that he can't find it. Questions 7th as to his character for veracity and their belief of his service in the Revolution he would refer to Pleasant A. Tomkinson [?] former Sheriff of DeKalb County John Allen the present Sheriff John A. Fusion his member to the State Legislature and Captain Bernard Richardson.

[Charles Ferrell, a clergyman, and James A. Richardson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Raleigh North Carolina
Comptroller's Office

I William F Collins Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby certify that the name of John Hill appears of Record in this office is having had the following Specie Certificates issued in his favor for Military Service (viz.) one for six pounds one shilling and 6 pence see Book No. 3 page 3. Also another for the same amount see same Book and page. Also another for 13 pounds 10 shillings see Book No. 176 page 10, also another for 13 pounds 10 shillings see Book L No. 2 page 45. Also another payment in Cash for twenty-two pounds ten shillings see Book F No. 2, page 33 also another payment in the same Book page 62 of ten pounds given under my hand and seal this 2nd day of October 1847

S/ Wm Collins, Compt.