

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Hackney R4408

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Georgia Wilkes County: SS

On this fifth day of June 1838 personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court of said County sitting for Ordinary purposes Robert Hackney a resident of said County of Wilkes and State of Georgia aged seventy-eight years 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he enlisted as a volunteer in the third Virginia Regiment in the first part of June 1776 at the town of Port Royal in Caroline County in Virginia. The company (in which he served as private until 1777 when he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, in which office he continued until discharged) was commanded by Captain Samuel Hawes who died in 1777 and then Captain Thomas Naylor took the command. The name of the Colonel was as he says Mathews (or Mathis) & the name of the General was Thomas Nelson –

That he was discharged from the service in the year 1781 but does not recollect the precise day on which he was discharged but it was soon after the siege of Yorktown & he thinks it was about the 27<sup>th</sup> of October.

That he was at a battle at old Jamestown on James River serving under the command of Captain Thomas Naylor and General Lafayette.

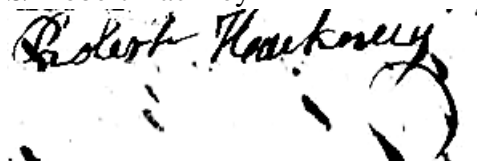
That he was at a skirmish at Dabney's Mill on a retreat from Williamsburg in which retreat he passed through Spotsylvania County near the town of Fredericksburg through Orange into Culpeper County.

That he was at the siege of Yorktown and was one of those who guarded prisoners taken at that place thence to the Raccoon Ford on the Rapidan River.

That he has no documentary evidence wherewith to enforce his claim which evidence having been left in Virginia when he removed to Georgia and he knows of no person who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State – Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Robert Hackney

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Hackney". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. Below the signature, there are several dark, irregular marks that appear to be ink smudges or the bottom of a stamp.

[Daniel Lee and Chenoth Peteet gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 10: On December 27, 1852 in Wilkes County Georgia, James T Hackney filed a power of attorney authorizing his attorney to pursue the claim of Robert Hackney for the pension due him under the 1832 act. The relationship, if any of James T Hackney to Robert Hackney is not stated.

*James T Hackney* ]