

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hendricks (Hendrix) R4882

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State of Tennessee Carter County

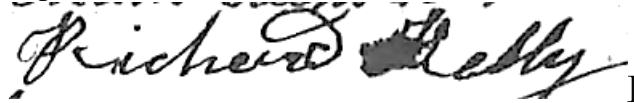
On this the \_\_ day of August 1845 personally appeared before the subscriber one of the acting Justices of the peace for the State and County aforesaid John Hendricks Esquire a resident of Carter County Tennessee aged eighty-nine years on tomorrow as he was born the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 1756 per record of his Bible, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832, that he volunteered in the Army of the United States in the year he thinks to the best of his recollection 1777 under Captain Niceswanger [John Niscwanger] in Frederick County State of Virginia and served and was received in the service by Colonel Homes [sic, Holmes?] of Winchester and ordered under the Captain to march to Petersburg [Pittsburgh or Petersburg?] and did march to said point in then was disbanded some two weeks there was two companies of us marched to Petersburg, the other company was commanded by Captain Dark [possibly William Darke] the names of the commanding officers at Petersburg not recollected, said two companies was ordered to whiling [Wheeling] by water down the River in Boats and when they arrived at Fort Wheeling found many families in the possession of the Fort and it commanded by Captain Bean and he Bean he thinks took and kept the command of both companies as well as his own during their stay at said Fort which he thinks was from five to six months as he left home in the spring of the year early in the season and returned he thinks three days before Christmas. Deponent thinks he was from six to eight months in service to include going and returning he is confident it was six months or more while at Fort Wheeling was employed in guarding the Fort and securing the neighborhood against the hostile Indians but never came to a general engagement But sent out in scouting parties on one occasion deponent and one cutlet[?]<sup>1</sup> was sent as spies and fell in with a party of Indians cutlet got wounded in the breast but made his Escape to the Fort and recovered deponent lost his gun in the scramble by rendering assistance to the wounded man but made their escape.

Deponent says his discharges was verbal and further says this is his first application for a pension and the reason he did not apply before it was understood by him that his service must be two years before he could be entitled to a pension as he has been much secluded from the world since the law passed, deponent relinquishes all claims to pensions except the present and he knows of no living witness to prove his service except those here after introduced further deponent saith not.

S/ John Hendricks, X his mark

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Richard Kelly appeared before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August 1845 and made oath in due form of law that he has been personally acquainted with John Hendricks Esquire for sixty odd years and lived in the same neighborhood at the time of the alleged Services and well recollects that he marched with the troops early in the spring of the year 77 or 78 and that I do recollect his return from the service from the fact of his having brought with him some Indian curiosities that produced some excitement in the neighborhood and that his return was only a few days before the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December of the year 1777 or 78 and that though [through] the course of my long acquaintance I believe him to be a man of truth and integrity, and that I do believe that he served in the Revolutionary War as set forth in his declaration deponent further saith that it would be a hazard and difficulty for Mr. Hendrix to attend the Court to make his Declaration further the deponent saith not

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Kelly". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. The name "Richard" is written in a larger, more prominent hand than "Kelly". There is a small mark or flourish at the end of the signature.

[p 7: On March 21, 1854 in Carter County Tennessee, Mary Emmert executed a power of attorney in which she states she is a daughter and child of John Hendrix [sic] and grants her attorney the power to pursue the pension claim due her father. She signed this document with her mark. Her execution of this document was witnessed by one William C Emmert, but his relationship, if any, is not noted.]