

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Hill R5010
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State of North Carolina, Johnston County

On this 14th day of March 1844 personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for said County Mrs. Sarah Hill resident of Johnston County aged 84 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act or provisions of the Act of Congress passed the 4th July 1836 – that she is the widow of Joseph Hill who was a Soldier of the Revolutionary War; that her husband the aforesaid Joseph Hill enlisted in the Army of the Revolution of the United States in the year 1780 and Served 18 months under Captain Griffith McRee [Griffith John McRee or McRea];¹ that she can not at this remote Period of time recollect under what other officers her husband has told her he served but she distinctly remembers hearing him say he served under Captain McRee and she knows he was gone from home – that length of time which was a Term for which he enlisted. She further declares she was married to her deceased husband the said Joseph Hill in the month of October 1778 in the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina by Alexander Avryt [?] Esq. and that her oldest child was born in the year 1779; and that her maiden name was Sarah Lee, and the oldest child's Name is Green Hill and oldest daughter name is Sarah; and the other son named Joseph Hill, next-daughter named Rebecca Hill, Penny and Puah which is all living except Penny. That her husband the aforesaid Joseph Hill died in Johnston County in the year 1829 aged about 79 years as she has frequently heard him say. And that she has remained a widow ever since as will more fully appear by reference to the Proof hereunto annexed.

Signed sworn to and Subscribed on the day and year above written before me.

S/ Sarah Hill, X her mark

J. G. Gulley, JP

State of North Carolina, Johnston County

On this 16th day of March 1844 personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Jesse Green² aged 90 years and a pensioner as a Soldier of the Revolutionary War who being duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following affidavit.

This affiant Testifies and says that he was well acquainted with Joseph Hill deceased late of Johnston County who was a Soldier during the Revolutionary War, that he served with him and knows he served in North Carolina and South Carolina and he was with me at Halifax, Kinston and Wilmington and other places all through the Country and I do know he enlisted in

1 Griffith John McRee was an officer in the NC Continental Line.

2 [Jesse Green W11084](#)

Johnston County.

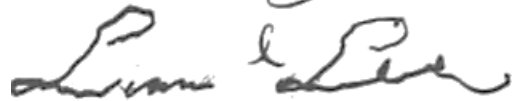
Sworn to before made the day and year above written before me.

S/ J. G. Gulley, JP

S/ Jesse Green

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jesse Green".

[p 7: On March 18, 1844 in Johnston County North Carolina, Lemuel Lee, 93 gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Joseph Hill and Sarah Hill his widow; that they were married in the month of October 1778 by Alexander Avryt [Alexander Everett or Alexander Averett?]; that their oldest child was born in 1779 and that they lived together as man and wife until Joseph died in the year 1829. His relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lemuel Lee".

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