

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jonathan Hobbs R5075

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State of Georgia Lumpkin County: SS

On this 10th day of March 1846 personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the Inferior Court in and for the County aforesaid Mrs. Marjaree Hobbs a resident of said County and State who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the third Section of the Act of Congress passed July 4, 1836. That her maiden name was Majaree Richardson. That she was born in the State of Virginia according to her understanding the year 1753 and removed from thence to the State of Georgia Burk [Burke] County prior to the commencement of the Revolutionary War. That on the blank day of blank the year 1775, she was legally married to Jonathan Hobbs in the County of Burke State of Georgia, That on the 10th day of March 1776 her first child was born the is Polly Hobbs now Polly Dean. That she has no family record or any other Documentary or record evidence in support of her Statements. That she does not believe the Clerk's Office of Burke County will furnish Evidence of her marriage aforesaid as the Banns of marriage were published which superseded the necessity of taking marriage License. That she knows of no person living other than her Daughter who was acquainted with her in Burke County. That her said husband Jonathan Hobbs was a private Soldier and served during the War the Revolution in the Georgia Continental Line and in consideration of his Services received a County of Land located near Rock Landing which he sold to John Tindell for 10 shillings. That at this late period she cannot by no means the precise in giving the names of Officers or a narrative of her said husband[s] services But that he enlisted a short time after the Birth of her Eldest child in Burke County Georgia, under Captain Fulsom Lieutenant Malcome Left Tenant [sic] Mackee the Battalion or Regiment to which he belonged not known, was guarding the Governor's plantation or residents and taken prisoner and carried to Savannah when he made his escape was out on the Florida Expedition¹ Engaged in the Battle at Burke Court House, which is all the particulars, she recollects of his services or what would aid in the investigation of her claim. That she has no Documentary or record Evidence in support of her claim whatever. That her said husband Jonathan Hobbs died on the blank day of November 1809 in Franklin County Georgia leaving her a widow. That she has remained a widow ever since all of which will more fully appear by traditionary Evidence annexed. That she knows of no person who could testify as to their own knowledge to any of the foregoing facts.

S/ Marjaree Hobbs, X her mark

[f p. 4: on March 10, 1846 in Lumpkin County Georgia, Mrs. Polly Dean, gave testimony that

¹ There were three expeditions to Florida during the Revolution. See <http://ourgeorgiahistory.com/wars/Revolution/>

she is the legitimate daughter of Jonathan and Marjaree Hobbs; that she was born March 10, 1776 in Burke County Georgia and moved from there shortly after the revolutionary war to South Carolina from thence back to Georgia Franklin County in the year 1797; in 1798 she married but still lived in the immediate neighborhood of her parents; that her father died in November 1809 in Franklin County; and that her mother remains his widow. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[f p. 8: On March 10, 1846 in Lumpkin County Georgia, Lucinda Dean, 38, gave testimony that she is the daughter of John and Polly Dean and the granddaughter of Jonathan and Marjaree Hobbs; that she was born November 4, 1808 and that her brother William Geane was born April 9, 1789.

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[f p. 18]

State of Georgia: – This is to certify that Jonathan Hobs was enlisted to serve as a private in the ___ Battalion of Minute men raised for the defense of this State, by Resolve of Assembly passed 3 June 1777; and that the said Jonathan Hobs was not, at the time of his enlistment, an inhabitant of this State, had he resided in any part thereof for 12 [weeks? o months?] preceeding his enlistment. And further, that he was in service at the time the said Battalion was reduced by a subsequent Resolve of March 1st 1778.

Given under my hand at Augusta this 31st day of March 1784

S/ Saml. Jack. Col.

[copy certified September 25, 1851]