

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Holmes (Hollems)¹ R5171

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For the purpose of obtaining of the benefits of an "Act for the relief of certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Revolution approved the 15th Day 1828" I James Holloms of Perry County in the State of Tennessee do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Revolution for and during the Term of three years or during the War and continued in the same until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain Benjamin Tutt's Company the Regiment if numbered at all is not recollected – And I also declare that I also afterwards received a certificate for the reward of eighty Dollars to which I was in entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the "15 May 1778." And I further declare that I was not on the 15th of March 1828 on the pension list of the United States.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 30th August 1829.

S/ W. S. Britt, JP

S/ James Halloms, X his mark

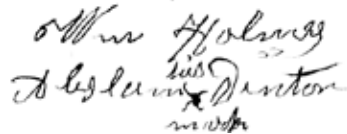
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And Absalom Denton And made Oath severally that James Holloms by whom the foregoing Declaration was subscribed is generally reputed and believed to have been a private Soldier in the Revolution in manner as therein stated this the 31 August 1829

Attest: S/ Joseph Brown, JP

S/ Wm Holmes [William Holmes]

S/ Absalom Denton, X his mark



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State of Tennessee Dickson County

This day the undersigned witness appeared before me John W Napier and [sic] acting Justice for said County and maketh oath that one James Holloms was a Soldier enlisted in the Revolution Contest between America & Great Britain and Served as a Soldier during said war under Captain Benjamin Tutt, Lieutenant Richard Tutt 2nd Thomas Farris the Regiment not recollected near Seneca Fort State of South Carolina.

¹ Other variations of the surname listed on the cover sheet of this file are James Holloms, James Halloms, James Hallows

Given under our hands this 23rd January 1829
Subscribed & sworn to before me this day & date above written
S/ J. W. Napier, JP
S/ William Miller,² X his mark
S/ Hannah Saddler, X her mark

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
20 December 1830

James Holms of ___ in the County of Perry in the State of Tennessee has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain Tutt's Company, in the ___ regiment of the South Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
28 December 1830

~~It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to ___ in the ___~~

It further appears that James Holms is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826 ~~at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

The name of James Holms cannot be found among those of the South Carolina line to whom certificates were issued for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
26 March 1830

James Hallows of ___ in the County of Perry in the State of Tennessee has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain Tutt's Company, in the ___ regiment of the South Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on

² [William Miller R20181](#)

the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing,

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
27 March 1830

~~It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to ___ in the ___~~

It further appears that James Hallows is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—~~at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

The name of James Hallows cannot be found among those of the South Carolina line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars were issued

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office
April 1st 1830

The name of James Hallows does not appear on the Records of the South Carolina line, on file in this Office, Among those, entitled to Bounty Land of the United States, or, to whom a Land Warrant was issued

S/William Gordon

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Revolutionary Claims
Perryville Tennessee
18 February 1830

Sir,

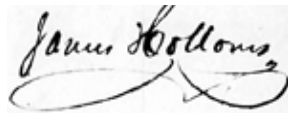
I received your letter requesting me to transmit to you some further information respecting my claim as a Soldier of the revolution – South Carolina is the State in which I served but as to the Regiment to which I belonged I cannot recollect or make any proof. You will perceive by a search of the records, that I have drawn my bounty land. You will also see that William Holloms, my Father,³ who served at the same time, and in the same Regiment with me has drawn his bounty land, or at least I drew it, as air to him. If this statement will be of any service to you in reviewing my claim, I shall be very happy as I am in great need of some assistance, but it is entirely out of my power to make any further proof of the subject, as the man by whom I made my proof is now dead.

Very respectfully
Yours &c

Mr. S. D. Ingham
Sec. of the Treasury

S/ James Holloms

3 Will Graves thinks applicant's father was the man who filed for his own pension under the name [William Hollems \(Hollins\) W27864](#).



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Col. Crockett⁴ D^r Sir:

I received your letter by your Son, and I attended to you my grateful acknowledgment for your attention to my claim. I send here with a letter to the treasurer which I wish you to hand to him, and do all you can in my favor, and I do assure you the favor shall be held in grateful remembrance, You will please inform him that I have drawn my bounty land as this letter will show him, and if he will examine the record he will find it so, and that I also drew my father's at the same time there is no doubt Sir but what my claim is as just a one as any in the United States. I served 3 years, which I have no doubt will be found upon the records to be a fact – Though it is out of my power to make any further proof, but if it is found that my Statements are correct, it ought to be the same as if I had proved it. Colonel you know me very well, I have always done all for you that in my power lay, and always shall, and I want you to help me out if you possibly can, and it shall ever be recollected with gratitude. – Please write to me and let me know how you come on, and accept of the best wishes of your old friend for your prosperity and success, and everything you may undertake that is good.

Very respectfully

Yours &c.

S/ James Holloms

Col. D. Crockett

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State of Tennessee, Perry County: SS

On the 23rd day of January 1836 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of the said County, James Holmes a resident of Perry County the State of Tennessee aged 68 who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following Declarations in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress as of June 7th 1832 that he entered into the Army of the United States in the year of '79 with Lieutenant Farrow [Thomas Farrar] and served in the Regiment in the South Carolina line of the Continental line under the following named Officers Capt. Benjamin Tutt His Col's name he thinks was Williamson [Andrew Williamson], he Declarant being young can not tell all of his officers as near as he can recollect he left the service in the Spring of 1782 he served two years and a half he entered the Service in Spartanburg District South Carolina; from thence he marched through Greenville District South Carolina to Seneca Fort on Savannah River he was not in any Battle—was taken at said Fort and put out on payroll [sic, parole].

⁴ CROCKETT, David, (father of John Wesley Crockett), a Representative from Tennessee; born at the confluence of Limestone Creek and Nolichucky River in the State of Franklin, present day Greene County, Tenn., August 17, 1786; attended the common schools; served in Creek campaign, 1813-1814; member of the Tennessee state house of representatives, 1821-1823; unsuccessful candidate for election to the Nineteenth Congress in 1825; elected as a Jacksonian to the Twentieth Congress (March 4, 1827-March 3, 1829); changed from a Jacksonian to an Anti-Jacksonian; elected as an Anti-Jacksonian to the Twenty-first Congress (March 4, 1829-March 3, 1831); unsuccessful candidate for reelection to the Twenty-second Congress in 1830; elected as an Anti-Jacksonian to the Twenty-third Congress (March 4, 1833-March 3, 1835); unsuccessful candidate for reelection to the Twenty-fourth Congress in 1834; fought at the Battle of the Alamo, San Antonio, Tex., 1836; died about March 6, 1836; remains cremated. <http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=C000918>

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 any agency in any State.

Sworn to and Subscribed ~~in Open Court~~ the day and year aforesaid.

Test: S/ Jesse Taylor, Clerk

S/ James Holmes, X his mark {Seal}

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State of Tennessee, Perry County

On this 27th day of July 1843 before me William Homer where one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for County [aforesaid], James Holmes, a resident of Perry County and State of Tennessee aged about 75 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1780 for the term of three years or during the War with Benjamin Tutt, Capt., Richard Tutt first Lieutenant and Thomas Farrow, second Lieutenant and served under the following named officers (viz.) General Williamson [Andrew Williamson], Captain Benjamin Tutt, Lieutenant Richard Tutt and Thomas Farrow, second Lieutenant. The Colonel and Major he does not recollect but he thinks he left the service in 1783 he then resided in the State of South Carolina in Greenville District in which district he enlisted with the advice and consent of his father when a small boy just barely able to bear Arms when he first entered the service in the same company with his father. Then he marched from Greenville district to Seneca a fort on Savannah River. At which place he staid and not far from it for the term of one year and then was furloughed and he returned home to see his mother and to get some better health and staid some few weeks and then returned to the Fort agreeable to his Furlough and there remained in actual service for near one year longer and was again Furloughed and went again home and returned agreeable to furlough and some time after he was taken sick and his father hired a man to serve in his place and that the Fort Seneca was surrendered and before he recovered the War ended. He further states that he drew his patent of 200 acres of land and laid the same in Greenville district in South Carolina and He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State in the United States. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Attest:

S/ James Holmes, X his mark

S/ William Homer, JP

S/ Robert H. Hawthorn

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State of Tennessee, Perry County

Personally Appeared James Holmes the foregoing subscriber to the foregoing declaration before me William Homer one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for Perry County and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say that he does not know exactly his age for he is an unlettered man and cannot read or write and therefore has not been able to keep any record of his age as of present time or dates that he has entered the service but he knows that he did serve as set forth in his declaration before written. That he has made application for a pension in 1832 or 1833 and then exhibited the evidence of William Miller & Hannah Saddler to

support his claim. He also those that he received his bounty land as agreed upon when he enlisted from a State of South Carolina. Sworn to and subscribed on the 27th day of July 1843.

S/ James Holmes, X his mark