

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Hughes R5356

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State of Missouri County of Cooper: SS

On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in court held within & for the County of Cooper aforesaid now sitting Samuel Hughes a resident of the County of Cooper and State of Missouri aforesaid aged seventy-nine years in April last 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, to wit, Joseph Moreton [probably Joseph Morton] Captain and General Green [Nathanael Greene] (the others not now recollected) in the spring season of the year \_\_\_ from the County of Pittsylvania in the State of Virginia in the capacity of a Militia Soldier, marched into the State of North Carolina to Guilford Court-house where he was in a severe battle [March 15, 1781], and pursued the British from thence to Deep River where with seven hundred others he was discharged after having served a tour of about three months, and he further declares that in the fall season of the same year he was again called into service and his family being in such a situation that he could not well leave home, and that he hired a substitute by the name of \_\_\_ Eldridge to go in his place whom he gave a thousand dollars in money and a good horse & a good rifle gone and some clothing, who served in his place as he was informed faithfully at the battle of Little York, General Corn Wallace [Cornwallis] was taken prisoner [October 19, 1781]; and that he had no written discharge, and that he now has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services –

Questions by the Court. Where & in what year were you born – answer. I was born in the year 1753 in Hanover County Virginia.

Question by the Court. Have you any record of your age, if so where is it? Answer. I have in my own Bible at home which was taken from my father's Bible. –

Question by the Court. Where were you living when called into service, where he you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live? Answer. I lived in Pittsylvania County Virginia when I was called into service and since the Revolution have lived in Virginia, Tennessee & Missouri & now live in Missouri in the County of Cooper.

Question by the Court – How were you called into service? I was called into service as a militia man.

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your neighborhood –

I can State Ragen Berry, Anthony H Read, John Miller & others who can testify to my character and good behavior but none who can testify to my services.

S/ Samuel Hughes, X his mark

[Peyton Nowlin, a clergyman, and John H Hutchison gave the standard supporting affidavit.]