

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Hurst R5433 **Mary Ann Hurst** f35VA

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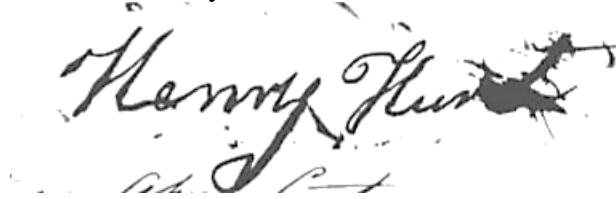
State of Kentucky Scott County: **Sct.**

On this 20th of May 1833 personally appeared in open court before the **Judges** of the Scott County Court then in **session**, 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

Henry Hurst states that he was born in Frederic County [**Frederick County**] Virginia August 30th 1755 & is now in the 78th year of his age. That during the revolutionary war he lived in the County of Barkley [sic, Berkeley] that as well as he can now recollect, his memory is frail as well as his body he entered the service of the U.S. against the British & Indians in the fall of the year of 1778 for the term of six months as a volunteer to go against the Indians under Capt Lucas¹ that the Regt was commanded by Col Morrow [**probably John Morrow**] of [**Shepardstown?**] in sd co [County] that the service commenced about the last of Octr they continued out the whole winter & till the expiration of sd six months about the last of April that he does not recollect the other officers that part of the Regt was stationed at Pittsburg in the Beach bottom on the Ohio river below Pittsburg & at Wheeling this the Regt was at times & most of the time separated & stationed at those different places, he got an honorable discharge for the six months, what was to operate [operate] for two militia tours of duty of 3 months each as no militia man could be compelled to beyond 3 months but he was a volunteer as aforesaid for a service which required a longer service then 3 months to be effective that in the spring of the year in the month of April 1781 he the sd Hurst was drafted for a militia tour of three months under Capt Wm Vestal [**William Vestil?**], Robt Willis [**probably Robert Carter Willis**] was Col. Thomas Hart was Lieut, in the company Andrew McKinney was ensign Genl Lafayette & Genl Wedon [**George Weedon**] commanded the whole corps, was stationed at Richmond most of the time & Cornwallis caused the forces to retreat from Richmond to Raccoon Ford the Rappahannock about 15 or 20 miles from Fredericksburg—that he was dismissed & got an honorable discharge about 1st of July having served the 3 months—that he has lost both of his discharges, that he was in no Battles that he now resides in Henry County & has for about one year. He was previously a citizen of Scott County for 30 years & he makes his declaration in Scott on that account-- that he is not on the pension list of the U. States or any State. He relinquishes all pensions but under the act of 7th June 1832.

¹ Possibly either Edward Lucas or William Lucas, both of whom served as captains in the Berkeley County, VA, militia.

/s/ Henry Hurst

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Henry Hurst". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat stylized and slanted to the right.

Test.

Rh. M. Johnson²

[J T. Johnson, a public Teacher of Christianity, and Rh. M. Johnson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Kentucky Henry County: **Sct.**

<https://img6.fold3.com/img/thumbnail/27159156/100/100.jpg> Be it known that Mary Ann Hurst of Henry County Ky aged 82 years this 14th day of January 1837, personally appeared before John P Force one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the peace for said county and a member of the Henry County court and being duly sworn according to law made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed July 1836.

She stated that she is about 82 years of age and that she is a resident of Henry County Ky and is the widow of Henry Hurst decd who died on the 29th Nov 1834 and who was a pensioner of the United States having been placed on the pension roll for services performed in the revolutionary war. She states that her said husband lived in Henry County about 3 years before he died and that his oath took place in said county. She states further that she was married to her said husband as well as she remembers in the year 1775 and that the marriage took place at the house of her father in Barclay [sic, Berkeley] County Va and that her maiden name was Mary Ann Wingfield. She states that her said husband did perform services in the war of the revolution as a soldier after their said marriage and when she had **two** children **by him** but she cannot state the

² JOHNSON, Richard Mentor, (brother of James Johnson [1774-1826] and John Telemachus Johnson, and uncle of Robert Ward Johnson), a Representative and a Senator from Kentucky and a Vice President of the United States; born at "Beargrass," Jefferson County, Ky., near the present site of Louisville, October 17, 1780; attended the common schools and Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky.; studied law; admitted to the bar in 1802 and commenced practice in Great Crossings, Ky.; member, State house of representatives 1804-1806 and again in 1819; elected as a Democratic Republican to the Tenth and to the five succeeding Congresses (March 4, 1807-March 3, 1819); chairman, Committee on Claims (Eleventh Congress), Committee on Expenditures in the Department of War (Fifteenth Congress); commissioned colonel of Kentucky Volunteers and commanded a regiment in engagements against the British in lower Canada in 1813; elected as a Democratic Republican to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John J. Crittenden; reelected as a Jackson Republican (and later Jacksonian) and served from December 10, 1819, to March 3, 1829; unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1829; chairman, Committee on Post Office and Post Roads (Nineteenth and Twentieth Congresses); elected to the Twenty-first and to the three succeeding Congresses (March 4, 1829-March 3, 1837); chairman, Committee on Post Office and Post Roads (Twenty-first and Twenty-second Congresses), Committee on Military Affairs (Twenty-second through Twenty-fourth Congresses); was chosen Vice President of the United States by the Senate on February 8, 1837, no candidate having received a majority of the electoral vote, and served under President Martin Van Buren from March 4, 1837, to March 3, 1841; member, State house of representatives 1850; died in Frankfort, Ky., November 19, 1850; interment in the Frankfort Cemetery.

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particulars of his services nor has she any evidence of them except his pension papers on which his pension was granted so far as she is now informed.

She further states that she has remained unmarried ever since his death and that she is infirm in body.

Sworn and subscribed the said 14th Jany 1837.

/s/ Mary Ann (her mark) Hurst

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State of Kentucky Henry County: **Sct.**

The affidavit of Fielding Hurst who states that he resides in Henry County Ky and is the oldest child of Mary Ann Hurst who has made the above declaration and her husband Henry Hurst that he was born in Barclay [sic, Berkeley] County Va on the 10th Sepr 1776 according to the family record and from information given him by his parents so that he is now over 60 years of age He states that his father died in Henry County Ky on the 29th Novr 1834 and was on the pension roll of the United States as a revolutionary soldier. He states that his mother has not married since his fathers death and that she is very infirm in body and that from the family record she is 82 year of age.

/s/ Fielden Hurst

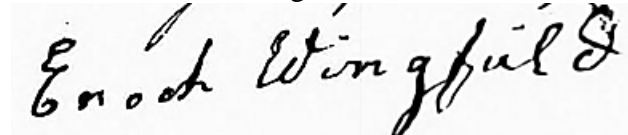
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fielden Hurst". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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The deposition of Enoch Wingfield³ taken in the town of Versailles Woodford County Ky on the 28th day of Feby 1837 who being duly sworn deposeth & says that he is now 77 years of age and resides in the town of Versailles Woodford county Ky and is on the pension roll of the United States for services performed in the war of the revolution. He further states that he is the brother of Mary Ann Hurst of Henry County Ky widow of Henry Hurst decd that his said sister is about 82 years of age and that she was married to Henry Hurst decd in the year 1777 as well as deponent recollects at the house of the father of said Hurst in Barclay [sic, Berkeley] County Virginia This deponent says that he was present at the wedding & witnessed the ceremony and that said Hurst after said marriage was in the army in the said war The deponent further states that said Hurst died as he is informed & believes in the fall 1834 and that his sister the said Mary Ann Hurst has not married since his death

Sworn & subscribed the day & year afsd

/s/ Enoch Wingfield

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Enoch Wingfield". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Louisville Ky
July 4th 1855

³ [Enoch Wingfield S16581](#)

Sir,

Enclosed herein I send you a document which I prepared in Dec 1853 in case of Mary Hurst dcd (widow of Henry) who in her lifetime applied for widow's pension as the widow of Henry Hurst from Henry Co. Ky under act July 1836

You will see that Mrs. Hurst left two children at her death --- When I prepared this document Mrs. Stapleton the daughter was living and I was of the belief that she and the widow of her brother Fielding would be entitled to receive the money due her at her death – I soon learned that a then record decision would cut off the children of Fielding Hurst – and a few months afterward we heard that Mrs. Stapleton was also dead (This report I presume is here but it may not be)

Now I am informed that by a record decision the pension vest to other heirs when there are no children surviving – Is such the law?

Or (if it be proven that there are no children now surviving) would the grandchildren be entitled to the amount due up to the death of Mrs. Mary Hurst August 1838

Please inform me and if they are let me know what county Mrs. Hurst said that she was married in, in Virginia to that I can get an official certificate, as if we can get the public record of it I shall then rely on the accompanying. If there be no claim due in the case you will please return the proved document unless you think proper to file it if there be any probability of their being a claim in this case in the course of a few years.

Yours respectfully,

C.H. Barkley

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]