

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hamilton S1214

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State of Kentucky, County of Pulaski Sct.

On this 18th day of March 1833, Personally appeared before the County Court holden for Pulaski County, being a Court of Record Established by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, James Hambleton [sic], a resident of said County of Pulaski aged about seventy-five 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated, that while a Resident citizen of Greenbrier County State of Virginia, in the year 1776, he volunteered as a militia man for the Term of twelve months (to wit) on the 27th day of June in the year 1776 aforesaid in the Company of Captain Matthew Arbuckle, – Samuel Woods was the Lieutenant, rendezvoused at the Levels in said County of Greenbrier, and from thence was marched to the mouth of Kankaway River [Kanawha River] and remained at the Fort erected at that place on the Ohio River, as a guard until my Term of Service for which I enlisted & Volunteered twelve months expired, and was Discharged to the best of my Recollection on 27th day of June 1777, receiving a written Discharge (in the absence of Captain Matthew Arbuckle, from the said Forts) from Captain William McKee of the Virginia Militia to which said Hamilton belonged, which Discharge he has long since lost or mislaid, having not seen it for many years, that he has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person whose Testimony he can procure who can Testify to his service, he is known to Martin Owens a clergyman, & Robert Modrel[?]¹ & Stephen Hail residence of Pulaski County Kentucky his place of residence at present and for many years last past, who can testify as to his character for veracity and that they believe he was in the service as a soldier of the Revolution, he was born in the State of Pennsylvania on Iron Hill as he has been informed by his Parents, the County not recollected, on the 24th day of December in the year 1758, as appears by and from the Record furnished him by his Parents, which record he has at his residence, he removed from the State of Pennsylvania with his Father & family when he was very young to the County of Augusta Virginia from there to Greenbrier in the said State, where he volunteered as a militia man in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary war, as aforesaid, and as above stated, and after his Term of service had expired as above stated he returned to his Father's, his place of residence in Greenbrier County Virginia in which County he continued to reside until he removed to the

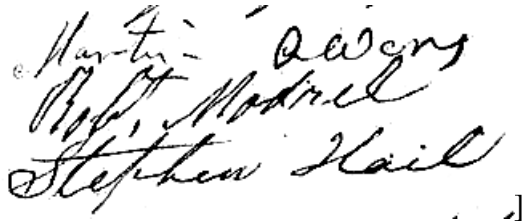
¹ Robert Modrel.

State of Kentucky, which was the fall or autumn of the year previous to what was called the hard winter (year not recollected) and was at that time called Kentucky being no counties formed, and after the formation of Counties in Kentucky Resided in the County of Lincoln for many years, and from thence to his present place of residence in Pulaski County Kentucky where he has continued to reside ever since. 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 the any Agency in any State, Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Hamilton



[Martin Owens, a clergyman, Stephen Hail & Robert Modrel gave the standard supporting affidavit.]



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 12 months in the Virginia service.]