

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joel Hickman S13391

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State of Kentucky Clarke County Sct.

On this 27th day of September 1832, personally appeared before the Honorable Richard French Judge of the Clark Circuit Court (in Open Court), Joel Hickman, a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Seventy-one 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 6th, 1832 [sic, June 7th, 1832].

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 or 1779 in Captain John Roberts (who was subsequently promoted to Major) and served in the __ Regiment of the Virginia line, under the following named Officers to wit: Colonel Francis Taylor, Major John Roberts, Adjutant James Burton, Captain James Purvis, Lieutenant John Slaughter & In some William slaughter, – that he resided at the time of his enlistment in the County of Culpeper in the State of Virginia – and was stationed at the Albemarle Barracks, near Charlottesville Virginia, and was principally engaged in guarding the prisoners taken with Burgoyne and was discharged on the __ day of __ 1781 having been in service upwards of two years (according to his best recollection), he afterwards served a tour of duty in the Militia, and was at York a short time before the capture of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781].

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 of any State.

Sworn and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid

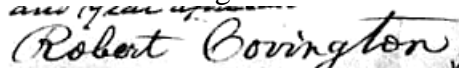
S/ Joel Hickman



Robert Covington¹ of Madison County, aged seventy years, last January, also appeared in open Court on said 27th day of September 1832 and having been first duly sworn, made oath that he served in the same Company with the above named Joel Hickman under the command of Captain James Purvis, and knows of his own personal knowledge that the above declaration made by the said Hickman is substantially true – and believes that he served the tour in the militia as set forth therein having been with him a part of the time.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Robert Covington

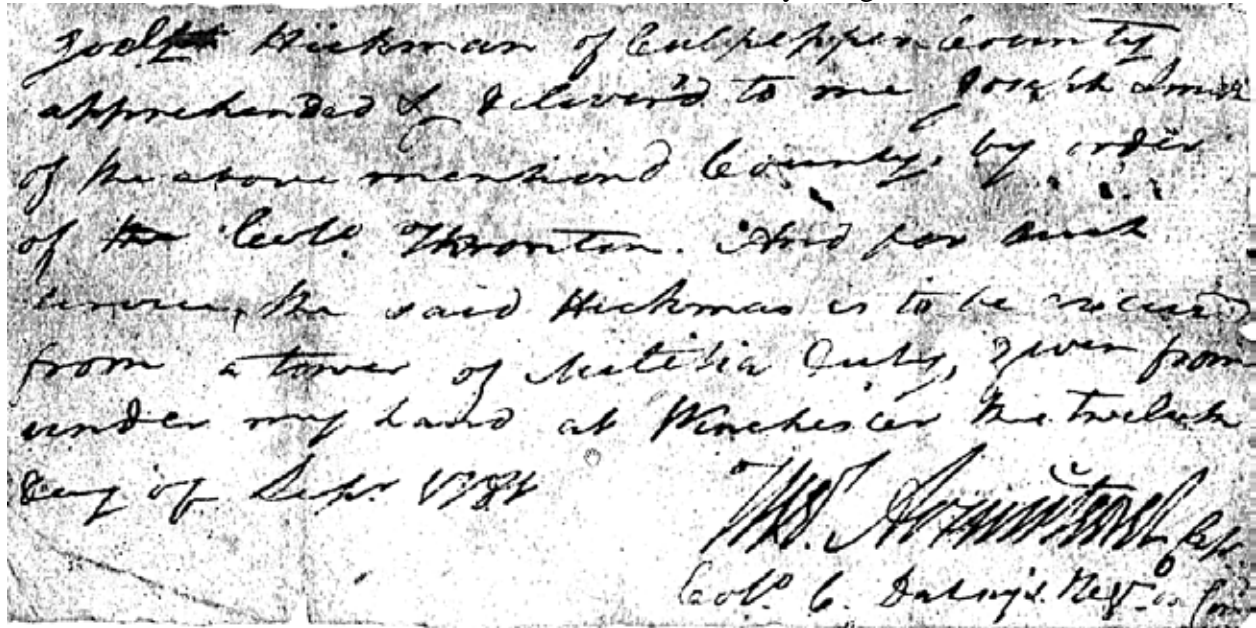


¹ [Robert Covington W2067](#)

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Joel Hickman of Culpeper County apprehended & delivered to me Joseph Smith of the above mentioned County by order of Colonel Thronton [sic, Thornton?], And for such service the said Hickman is to be excused from a tower [tour] of Militia Duty. Given from under my hand at Winchester this 12th day of September 1781

S/ Thos. Armistead [Thomas Armistead]
Colo. C. Dabney's Regt.



Joel Hickman of Culpeper County
apprehended & delivered to me Joseph Smith
of the above mentioned County, by order
of the Colo. Thronton. And for such
service the said Hickman is to be excused
from a tower of Militia Duty, given from
under my hand at Winchester the twelfth
day of Sept. 1781

Thos. Armistead
Colo. C. Dabney's Regt.

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State of Kentucky Fayette County: Sct.

Personally came before me Oliver Keen one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, William Abney,² a resident of the County of Rock Castle [Rockcastle] Kentucky and made oath that he served in the Virginia line in the same Company, during the Revolutionary War, with Joel Hickman of Clark County Kentucky, that they enlisted under Captain John Roberts sometime in the year 1778 (the month not recollected) and served under him until his promotion to Major, when the command of said Company devolved on Captain James Pervis [James Purvis] (who was previously Lieutenant) under whom the said Hickman served until he was discharged at Winchester Virginia in (he thinks) April 1781, having been in service upwards of two years: and further, that the Company of Captain James Pervis was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Francis Taylor – the number of the Regiment not now particularly recollected (but he believes it was No. 16) – and that the said Regiment was principally engaged in guarding the prisoners taken with Burgoyne, and stationed at the Albemarle Barracks near Charlottesville Virginia: – but on the approach of Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton], the prisoners were marched up into the County of Frederick, above Winchester Virginia after which the said Hickman was discharged at Winchester as above.

S/ Wm Abney, X his mark

Sworn & subscribed to before made this 22nd day of March 1833

S/ O. Keen, JP

² [William Abney W1202](#)

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]