

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Julius Hite <sup>1</sup>S18024

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### Declaration of Sergeant Julius Hite of Lee's Legion

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828,

I, Julius Hite of Oakgrove in the County of Lunenburg in the State of Virginia, aged 73 years, do hereby declare,

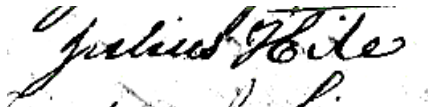
That I enlisted in the year 1777 in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the War, in the Troop of Dragoons then commanded by Henry Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee], and continued in Lee's Legion as it was afterwards called until the Troops were disbanded at Eutaw Springs on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 1783, at which time I was Sergeant in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Troop commanded until my said promotion by Captain Joseph Eggleston, who was at that time promoted to the rank of Major when Farthing O'Neal [Ferdinand O'Neal] took rank as Captain.

That the right of purchasing our own horses to be deducted from our pay being given I purchased mine, at the sale of the public property on the said 13<sup>th</sup> of June 1783 at Eutaw Springs for \$120 and received a certificate two years afterwards for about \$200 which I supposed had sustained an excision of \$120; But that no other Certificate was either received by me or provided to me as far as I knew, by Congress.

I further declare that I was not on the pension list of the United States on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828.

Witness my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of July in the 57<sup>th</sup> year of the Republic, 1832.

S/ Julius Hite



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This is to certify that I knew in the third troop of Lee's Legion commanded by Captain Joseph Eggleston Corporal Hite who served with me in that rank during the war and who I have every reason to believe is entitled to all the benefits of the act of Congress of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828 in common with myself and the other soldiers of the said Legion, and his name I recollect

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt12223-100—private Issued May 8, 1794--carded

was Julius Hite.

Given under my hand this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1832  
S/ Wm Bigbie<sup>2</sup>



State of Virginia County of Lunenburg SS

I, Julius Hite, aged 73 a Citizen of the United States do on oath testify and declare that in the year 1777 I enlisted in Captain Henry Lee's Troop of Dragoons, for the term of during the War and served generally in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Troop of Lee's Legion commanded by Joseph Eggleston; and that I continued in the said service until the Legion was disbanded on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 1783, at which time I was Sergeant in said Troop.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States, nor have I ever transferred that gratuity or assigned it to any person whatsoever.

Therefore know, all, that I hereby constitute and appoint the officer of the general government whose duty it shall be to scrip the warrants for appropriation upon the public lands, according to the provisions of any law now to be  
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Revolutionary Claims  
Treasury Department,  
9 October 1832

Julius Hite of Oakgrove in the County of Lunenburg in the State of Virginia 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 Corporal in Captain Eggleston's Company, in Colonel Lee's Legion regiment of the \_\_\_ 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. He states that he sometimes served as a Sergeant.

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,  
9<sup>th</sup> of October 1832

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<sup>2</sup> [William Bigbie S46368](#)

~~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 \_\_\_ 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 Julius Hite cannot be found among those of Lees Legion to whom certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars were issued.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1832

It appears by the Records in this office that a Land Warrant on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 1794 to Julius Hite, as a Private in the Virginia line – It further appears from an Official Record of the Virginia line, on file in this office, which includes the names of Officers and Soldiers of Lee's Legion who were entitled to bounty land from the United States, that the name of Julius Hite is returned thereon as a Corporal of Lee's Legion, Virginia line.

No second [?] of the same name appears on the rolls of Lee's Legion or those of the Virginia line.

S/ Wm Gordon

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Julius Hite, being first duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, before the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Peace in & for the County of Washington, District of Columbia, Deposeth and saith, as follows:

That he, the deponent, is seventy-four years of age – was born in Sussex County, Virginia, and is now a resident of Lunenburg County in Virginia aforesaid.

That he enlisted as a Soldier on or about the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year 1776, voluntarily, and a Company of Infantry, in Sussex County aforesaid, commanded by Captain Nathaniel Mason, for two years, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment of the Virginia line, commanded by Colonel Robert Lawson, and subsequently arranged under the command of General Charles Scott.

That he (this Deponent) was personally engaged in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], and Germantown [October 4, 1777] – and was commanded at that time by Captain Wales, who succeeded Captain Mason, and that on or about November 1777, and before the expiration of his term of Service, He accepted the offer made to the troops of enlisting for service during the War, and did so enlist, and became attached to the Cavalry commanded by Captain (afterwards General) Henry Lee.

That he continued to serve in the said Cavalry, and was at the Battles of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781] in March 1781 at Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] and some other places, was rated on the roll as Corporal, until he was regularly discharged from service on the 13<sup>th</sup> June 1783. That Captain Eggleston commanded the Company of which he was a member until he was succeeded by Captain O'Neill of the 3<sup>rd</sup> troop – That this deponent received from the State of Virginia a grant for Land as bounty which under a belief of its trifling value at the time, he sold for \$30 and further he saith not.

S/Julius Hite

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing May 15, 1828 for service as a Corporal in the Cavalry.]

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do Certify that Julius Hite of the County of Sussex enlisted as a soldier in Lieutenant Colonel Lee's Cavalry the 26<sup>th</sup> day of December 1777 in which capacity he served until the 1 June 1780 at which time he was appointed a Corporal & Served as such until the Army was discharged by Congress. He was when he enlisted and is now a Citizen of the State of Virginia, and has faithfully performed his duty, he received his pay in paper money until the first April 1780.

S/ Jos. Eggleston [Joseph Eggleston]  
Major Lee's Legion  
1 April 1784

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Charles Jones, Clerk A. Office