

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Harman (Harmon) Hurst S21309

HQ16SC<sup>1</sup>[sic NC]

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State of Tennessee Claiborne County

This day being the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 1833 personally appeared before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for said County the same being a court of Record Harmon Hurst aged about 76 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1833 [sic, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832]

States that he Entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and Served as herein stated. That he Resided in the State of North Carolina in the County of Wake and that sometime in the spring [of] the year of 1776 he was drafted to perform a three months Tower [tour] of duty in the Service of his country and that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain Jonas Fuller which said company was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Johnson and that they marched to Charleston in the State of South Carolina where they arrived sometime about the 1<sup>st</sup> of June in said year and that he was stationed at Charleston until the 25<sup>th</sup> of said month when the battle commenced and this [applicant] begs leave to State that he was taken prisoner in the battle and remained so for about 18 or Twenty days and that he then received a parole of Honor and that this applicant then returned home after having been about Two months and a half in the Service of his country.

and this applicant begs leave further to represent to the department that he still Resided in the County of Wake in the State of North Carolina and that sometime in the fall of 1776 that he substituted himself in the Service of his country for the Term of three months in the room instead of Charles Liles and that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain George Whitesides which said Company was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Stephen More [Stephen Moore] and we marched from there to the Haw River and from there to the head of the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River?] and after my time of Service Expired I Received my discharge from Captain Whitesides and returned home which said discharge I have lost or mislaid so that I cannot produce it and this applicant states that he still Resided in the County of Wake and sometime in the spring of 1779 [last digit is very faint, could be 1777] he was again drafted to perform a three months Tower of duty and that he then Resided in the said County of Wake and that he belonged to the Company commanded by the same Captain Whitesides and which said Company was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Stephen More and we marched from there to Camden in the State of South Carolina where we were stationed about Six weeks

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<sup>1</sup> This file is not indexed under "Hurst" in the SC pensions listed on Fold3.com. Fold3.com has it indexed under "Blank". HeritageQuest.com indexed it with the SC pension claims.

we were then marched to Pine Tree, where we Joined General Gateses [Horatio Gates'] Brigade where we were Stationed until my Term of Service had Expired and I received my discharge and returned home.

and this applicant states that he still Resided in the County of Wake and sometime in the year of 1780 he Substituted his Services in the Army of United [States] in the Room and Stead of 18 men for the term of 18 months and that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain John Harman which said Company was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joel Lane<sup>2</sup> and we marched from there to York County in the State of South Carolina and from there to Kings Mountain where we joined General Morgan's [Daniel Morgan's] Brigade and we marched to the Cowpens where we arrived on or about the middle of January 1781 as well as this applicant can remember it was on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of said month that the battle was fought and when we defeated Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] and a day or Two after the battle was fought we marched near the Shallow ford of the Adkin [River] where we were stationed for some time and we then marched to Ramsoures Mill [Ramseur's Mill] where we were stationed for some time and we then marched to Guilford Court House [Guilford Court House, March 15, 1781] where we had a very Severe battle with the British and we were defeated and this applicant States that he there in the Battle Received a wound in his Right Leg which fractured the bone so much that it has been of little or no use to him in getting a living and that he was taken from the battle ground to Hillsborough and there placed in the Hospital and by the time that his wounds were healed his Term of Service had Expired and that he then Received his discharge and I then Returned home after having been more than Two years and Two months in the Army of the United States in the Revolutionary War. He states that he has no documentary Evidence of his Service nor does he know of any living Testimony by whom he can prove his Services, he states that he is a very Poor man and that his wife is old and very infirm he hereby Relinquishes Ever [every] claim to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State whatsoever.

#### Interrogatories

Where and in what year were you born have you any Record of your age and if so where is it where were you living when you were called into Service and where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live how were you called into Service were you drafted a Volunteer or a Substitute and if so for whom State some of the officers whom you know – did you Ever Receive a discharge and if so from whom State the names of some of the persons in your neighborhood who can testify as to your [indecipherable word]<sup>3</sup> and veracity for truth Sworn to in

Open Court 18<sup>th</sup> March 1833

S/ B. F. Cloud

S/ Harmon Hurst, X his mark

[William Williams, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Thomas Berry gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

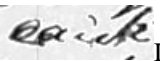
[George Ford also gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Claiborne County: September the 17<sup>th</sup> 1834 September Term of County Court

The amendment of Harman Hurst for a Pension the applicant in open Court makes this his Relinquishment to the Government of the United States for services do him from the

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<sup>2</sup> This MAY be a mistaken attempt to name Lt. Col. John Lane of the Wake County, NC, militia.

<sup>3</sup>  I'm guessing this is scribble for the word "service"

Government in the Revolutionary war for the Term of 18 months as charged and Said in his Declaration for he is very old and Poor and infirm so much so that he cannot go or [nor] is he able to hire any person to go to the state of North Carolina for him to procure Testimony in his case he therefore hereby Relinquishes the same and only claims pay for the 8 months and a half as described in his Declaration as a substitute and as a drafted man

S/ Harman Hurst, X his mark

Ack'd in open Court

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> 1834

S/ Benj. F. Cloud, Clk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the South Carolina militia.]