

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hubbard Brown S21666

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[State of Tennessee Gibson County]

On this 20TH day of March in the year of our Lord 1834 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions in and for said County of Gibson and State of Tennessee now sitting being a Court of record having a clerk Hubbard Brown a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Seventy Three years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the acts of Congress passed the 7TH of June 1832.

That he entered the Service of the states under the following named officers and served as herein stated he enlisted in the Regiment of Virginia line command of Col. Charles Lynch under Capt. William Jones, as a minute man, and was attached to his company, that the day and month of his enlistment he has forgotten but it was in the year 1781 a few days after he was promoted to the rank of Ensign and served in said Jones Company in said Regiment in that capacity for three years, the time for which he was enlisted that he entered the service in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia and a few weeks after he entered the service Col. Lynch's Regiment was ordered to join General Green [Nathanael Greene] in North Carolina to prevent Cornwallis march into Virginia accordingly we marched from a place called Molly's Creek Church in Bedford County Virginia under Col. Lynch to North Carolina and joined General Green's Army at his Camp in Guilford County on a Small River called Haw River about ten days before the Battle of Guilford that he fought [March 15, 1781] in the Battle of Guilford, under General Green in Col. Lynch's Regiment and as an Ensign in Capt. William Jones' Company in said Regiment on the day of the Battle on which day two of the Captains of Col. Lynch's Regiment to wit Moon [James Moon] & Helm [Thomas Helm] were killed at the Battle of Guilford we served as Cavalry and was under the immediate direction and command of Col. William Washington that shortly after the Battle of Guilford Col. Lynch's Regiment to which he was attached returned to Virginia and rendezvoused after going home for clothes again at Molly's Creek Church and marched from there to Petersburg from thence to Williamsburg where we remained some 5 or 6 weeks, that at Williamsburg Col. Lynch left the Regiment. That shortly afterwards the Regiment was marched by General Robert Lawson with other Regiments to Little York at which place we met with General George Washington the Commander in Chief of the American Army: that he served at Little York during the memorable Siege of that place his company still Commanded by Capt. Jones and was on the spot where Lord Cornwallis surrendered himself as prisoner of war to the American Army [October 17, 1781], that he remained at Little York until the evacuation of that place by the British Troops and his Regiment which he accompanied was marched to Gloster

[sic, Gloucester] Court House from there to King and Queen [County] then to Petersburg where he was discharged in the year 1783 as well as he recollects together with the Col. of the Regiment the said Hubbard Brown states that he received a wound in the Battle of Guilford in the left hand that the same was shot through and has ever since rendered him a cripple injuring the muscles thereof that he has no documentary evidence of his Service except that he Supposes his name appears on the roll of the Virginia line as an Ensign in Col. Lynch's Regiment that his Commission has been lost by the ravages of time or by accident the said Hubbard Brown further declares that he was born in the year 1760, that his age is recorded in a family Bible now in his possession taken from his father's Bible he was living in Bedford [County] when he entered the service and was born in Brunswick County in the State of Virginia that he enlisted for three years as before stated and was promoted to an Ensign in a few days thereafter he received a Commission as Ensign which was signed by Col. Charles Lynch and William Jones Capt. he lived in Campbell County Virginia about 17 years, from thence he removed to the State of Georgia Hancock County where he lived about twenty-two years, from Hancock County he removed to the County of Putman [sic, Putnam] in the same State Georgia from thence he removed to Tennessee Rutherford County where he lived about twelve years, from there he removed to the County of Gibson Tennessee where he has lived five years and where now resides. That he is acquainted in his neighborhood with William Bumpass a regular ordained clergyman Dr. Nelson J. Hess also a clergyman, Thomas Jefferson Caruthers merchant and Hugh D. Nielsen Postmaster and who can testify as to his veracity and character and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not upon the pension roll of the agency of any State and did not compromise and has not compromised and received any pay of whatsoever kind in the lieu of half pay during his natural life. That he was discharged or disbanded after the Close of the war & peace proclaimed.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Test S/ Thomas Fite Clk

S/ Hubbard Brown



[Hugh D. Nielsen, Thomas J. Caruthers, John Parker & Thomas Fite gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee Gibson County: March Term 1834

This day personally appeared in open Court Nelson J. Hess a Practicing Physician and Clergyman in the County of Gibson who after being duly sworn according to law maketh oath that he is well acquainted with Hubbard Brown the petitioner for a pension under the act of Congress of June 7th 1832 and that after examining the hand of the said Hubbard Brown, says that he believes it was wounded by a Ball or shot, as he represents in his declaration and that he believes him to be of the age he represents that he is reputed and believed in his neighborhood where he resides to have been a Soldier & officer of the Revolution and he concurs in that opinion -- and that he is a man of truth & veracity.

S/ N. J. Hess



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State of Tennessee Gibson County

This day personally appeared before me A. S. Davidson an acting Justice of the peace for said County of Gibson, Hubbard Brown a petitioner for a pension under the act of Congress of June 7th 1832 who after being duly sworn according to law deposes as follows. That he entered the service of the United States about three weeks before the battle of Guilford and was elected Ensign between the time he entered the Service & the Battle of Guilford, he states that after the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis he was not discharged but detained for the purpose of guarding garrisons &c until he was discharged finally as he believes about the month of September, October or November in the year 1783, making about two years & eight months instead of three years as put down in his declaration - presuming that being discharged a few months before his three years expired would make no difference & that he will was entitled to credit for a three years tower [tour]. He states he was in no engagements after the surrender of Cornwallis but thought he was entitled to pay for being detained after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis as much as if he had been in actual service. He knows of no other evidence whereby he can prove his services.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 25th day of June 1834

S/ A. S. Davidson, JP

S/ Hubbard Brown

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State of Tennessee Henderson County: February 24th 1834

This day personally appeared before me William D Carrington an acting Justice of the peace for said County of Henderson, John Marshall of said County aged Sixty Nine years who after being duly sworn according to law makes oath that he has been acquainted with Hubbard Brown the petitioner for a pension under the Act of Congress of June 7th 1832 for about fifty-five years. That he was acquainted with him during the Revolutionary War. That he enlisted as a minute man in said War of the Revolution for three years under the Command of Col. Charles Lynch and entered the Service at Molly's Creek Church in the State of Virginia and then the County of Bedford and now Campbell County from there he went to Long Island on Staunton River, from there he went I always understood into North Carolina and joined General Green's Army and that shortly after he Joined General Green's Army he was in the Battle of Guilford as I have always understood from the Revolutionary Soldiers of those days and particularly from my Brother Daniel Marshall who was a Revolutionary Soldier and in the Battle of Guilford who all told me that he was as brave a man as ever fought in the defense of his Country and I have always understood that he was wounded in the Battle of Guilford in the left hand as he represents in his declaration which now causes him a stiff hand and unfit for Service nearly entirely. This deponent says that he knows that said Hubbard Brown started to the Siege of York, and always understood from the Soldiers that he was engaged during the Siege in the service of the United States and was present at the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis.

This deponent also knows that he was in the service from the time of his enlistment until the expiration of the War unless absent on furlough or permission a few days from his officers and he also recollects seeing the said Hubbard Brown return home from the Service after he was discharged. This deponent also states that the said Hubbard Brown is a man of truth and veracity and that his statements in his declaration is entitled to credit and this deponent verily believes every statement that he has made respecting his Services.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day and date above written.

S/ Wm. D. Carrington, JP

S/ John Marshall

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Marshall". The signature is written in black ink on a light gray rectangular background.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]