

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Frederick Hummel S22286  
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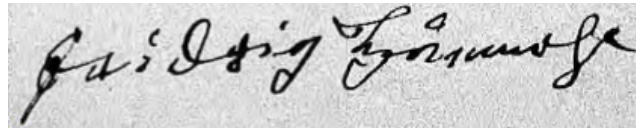
State of Pennsylvania.

Northumberland County, Sct:

On this seventeenth day of April, AD 1833, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of Northumberland County, at Sunbury Penna. Frederick Hummel, a resident of Shamokin township, in said County and state, aged seventy two 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832: That he enlisted in the Army of the United States on the 1<sup>st</sup> July in the year 1781, with Captain Jacob Bower [pension application W3212], in the borough of Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, and served in the 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment of the Pennsylvania line, under the following named officers: Captain Jacob Bower – the other officers of the company I cannot recollect. From Reading we marched through Potts grove, from thence across to a place called “the 100 acres,” on the Schuylkill – there we drew our clothing, arms and ammunition – from thence we marched to Philadelphia, crossing the Schuylkill river on a swimming bridge. From Philadelphia we marched to Christiana Bridge [in Delaware] and to the Head of Elk [now Elkton MD]. A short distance from the Head of Elk we took shipping and sailed to Baltimore, and from Baltimore to Little York, in Virginia, where Cornwallis surrendered [Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781]. We were at York two or three weeks, when we marched to Camden in South Carolina. From the time we left York I was employed as a wagoner, the 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. 1782, as appears by the certificate of Capt. [William] Ferguson, herewith sent. I was opposed to going as a wagoner, but the Colonel told me I must go or I would get the Cat-o’-nine-tails upon my back. I was also told that I would get ten shillings a month more, but I never got a cent. After I got the discharge from Capt. Ferguson as a wagoner, I remained in the service until the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1783, when I was discharged in Lancaster, Penna. by Capt. Ferguson. I had enlisted for eighteen months, on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 1781, and was kept two weeks past the time and was discharged on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 1783. Some of the company enlisted again. But I with several others, Philip Lenhart [S23768], Henry Amick, went home to Greenwich township, Berks county. I know of no living witness to prove these facts, and no documentary evidence other than Capt. Ferguson’s certificate.

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 in any state, or only on that of the Agency in the state of Pennsylvania

[signed in German fridrich Heimch?]



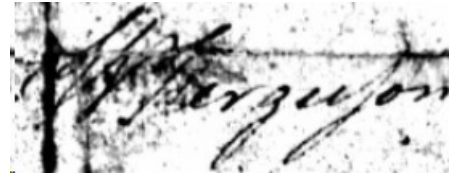
To the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, and propounded by the Court, the said Frederick Hummel answers as follows:

- Intery 1. I was born in April 1761, in Greenwich township, Berks Co. Penna.
2. I have a record at home of my age called in German a “Doffshine,” or “Taufscheine.”
3. I was living when called into service in Greenwich Township, Berks Co Penna and have lived ever since the revolutionary war where I now live in Northumberland County, Penna. Shamokin township.
4. I entered the service as an enlisted soldier – was enlisted for eighteen months, and served as before stated.
5. Genl. [Arthur] St Clair, Capt. Bower, Capt. Ferguson [were regular officers where he served]. I cannot now recollect particularly the names of any others.
6. I received a written discharge from the service. I do not know by whom it was signed, nor do I

- now know where it is.
7. Abraham Hoffman, Solomon Fagely, Jacob Mayer, John Campbell & others [neighbors who can certify his veracity and reputation as a soldier of the Revolution]. There is no clergyman residing in the immediate neighborhood. The Rev. Mr. Shindel, of Sunbury, is acquainted with me, but he is not at home today and I am too poor to hire a man and horse to come again in Court.

I do hereby certify that Fredrick Humble soldier in the Pennsylv'a Regt has served as a Waggoner to a detachment of the 4<sup>th</sup> Reg't. of Artillery by order of Major Gen'l. St. Clair; from the fifth of Nov'r 178one to this date Inclusive.

[Several undeciphered words] Givin at Camden S. Carolina  
Nov'r 21 1782two  
W Ferguson Capt 4<sup>th</sup> Regt Artl'y

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. Ferguson", written in dark ink on a light background.

NOTE: A letter in the file states that Hummel died "a few days after the receipt of the amount due and paid him to the 4 March 1844."