

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Hudson S2330

VA

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State of Tennessee } November Session of the Court of pleas and quarter sessions for said
Giles County } County for the year 1832

On this 26th day of November A. D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the justices of said Court now sitting & holding said court Thomas Hudson aged seventy years last January, a resident of said County who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

Applicant who resided during the whole of the Revolutionary War in Henry County [formed from Pittsylvania County in 1777] in the State of Virginia, sometime in January 1781 volunteered and entered the service in the said last mentioned county for the term of three months. He went into said service & served under the command of Capt. [Eliphaz] Shelton & Lieutenant [Stephen] Lyon in the Regiment of Col [James] Lyon. He marched along the Virginia line & also through the edge of North Carolina and was stationed along principally against the Tories. They had no fighting during this campaign He does not recollect precisely when he was discharged, but it was somewhere about the line between Virginia and North Carolina, after having served the whole time out for which he entered the Service. In same year Applicant was drafted in the said County of Henry for the term of three months, & entered the service under the command of Capt. George Hasten [sic: George Hairston] in Col. Tuckers [Maj. St. George Tucker's] Regiment, General [Robert] Lawson commanded the militia and general Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] the Regulars to which applicant was then attached. They marched first to North Carolina to oppose the Tories, and continued in the service during the entire three months without any fighting [see endnote], at the end of their term of service the troops were marched home into the State of Virginia & discharged. Sometime about the first of July 1781 Applicant again entered the service in the said County of Henry under the command of Capt. Hamon Crite [sic: Haman Critz, pension application W6755], Leuft. Torance [possibly Tarrant] [illegible word] Col. Richardson [Holt Richeson's] Regiment & General Demarcus [sic: Gen. Marquis de Lafayette] Brigade. He was marched to the lower part of Virginia, was at New castle [now Old Church], was sometime in King William County in the said State of Virginia, and had no fighting during this tour. Served his term out and arrived at home a short time before the defeat of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] whilst out upon this service, they were frequently called on to guard prisoners, and did so accordingly after having arrived home as above stated Applicant was again discharged having served this tour three months in all nine months He further states that he was seventy years of age sometime in January last (1832) that he continued to reside in said County of Henry, State of Virginia for upwards of twenty years after the war of the Revolution. he then removed to Stokes County North Carolina resided there three or four years, moved thence to Buncom [sic: Buncombe] County North Carolina resided there three or four years, moved thence to South Carolina Greenville district resided there four or five years, moved thence to the State of Georgia Franklin County thence to Elbert County & same State, & thence to Lincoln County State of Tennessee, and finally to Giles County in said state of Tennessee where he now resides He has no documentary evidence of his services & he knows of no person by whom he can prove the above services except Hall Hudson [R5331], brother of Applicant who was in the service with this applicant.

He hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any state.

Thomas hisXmark Hudson

1st Where and in what year was you born?

I was born in Amelia County State of Virginia in the year 1762, January 12th.

2nd Have you any record of your age & if so where is it? I have no record of my age and I do not think I

ever had any.

3rd How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?

I was twice drafted & once volunteered

4th State the names of all the officers &c

This question I have answered in my declaration.

5th Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live.

I have answered this question as well as I can in my declaration.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from service & if so where is it.

I received a discharge for each of my terms of service and kept them until they wore out.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood who can testify to your character for veracity and their belief of your services in the Revolution?

I am known to Matthew Devanport, Samuel Davis, Benjamine Hudson, Sadock Hudson, William Pratt, John Sandusky, Joseph Stewart, Jacob Bodenhamer & many others.

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NOTE: In a deposition supporting the application of Hall Hudson (R5331), Thomas Hudson stated that he was at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 March 1781.