

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Lusk S25637

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This day came Hugh Lusk personally before me John Morris an acting Justice of the peace in & for Hardin County and State of Kentucky and made oath that previous to the application he made through Mr. Benjamin Hardin six or seven years ago who was then a member of Congress he the said Lusk was entirely ignorant of the law respecting pensions & further states that from the Day in which he received the wound as before mentioned he never was fit for duty or even was he able to hold up his gun until after the close of the Revolutionary war by reason of the Disability arising from said wound and ever since that time he the Lusk has been Endeavoring to obtain his pension – and further states that he is not on any pension list of any State whatever.

S/ Hugh Lusk



[Attested December 7, 1829]

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Elizabeth Town October 6, 1829

To doctors Bryant R. Young & Samuel W Coombs

Gentlemen – by Virtue of the Authority vested in me by a Commission from John Boyle (Circuit Judge of the US Court for the District of Kentucky) to take evidence in behalf of Hugh Lusk of this County, who is an applicant for a pension – You are hereby notified that I appoint and commission you, and each of you – to examine the wounds of the said applicant. You are to report in writing and on oath or affirmation the nature of the said Lusk's disability and in what degree it prevents him from obtaining a Subsistence by Manual labor, which report, together with this Commission you will transmit to me to be forwarded to the Secretary of War.

S/ John Morris, Commissioner

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We the subscribers practicing physicians of the County of Hardin and State of Kentucky, do hereby certify, that after a careful examination in the case of Hugh Lusk who wishes to be placed on the pension roll of the State of Kentucky, do find that a rifle ball passed through the flexor muscle of the left Humerus and from his representation the artery must have been wounded and the bone Scaled. His arm is much flexed at the elbow joint in consequence of said wound, and

we believe that the disability from the appearances and his representations totally disabled him from obtaining a subsistence by manual labor.



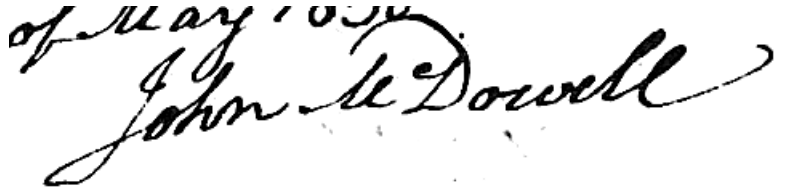
R. R. Young M.D.
S. M. Coombs M.D.

[Attested October 8, 1829]

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I John McDowell of Fayette County and State of Kentucky hereby certify that I was at the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] in North Carolina in the spring of the year 1781, and commanded as a Lieutenant in Colonel Buford's Regiment or detachment of Regular troops under the command of General Green [Nathanael Greene], and that my Father [Samuel McDowell] commanded a Regiment of Militia in said Battle from Rockbridge County, & State of Virginia and I do believe that Hugh Lusk was a private Soldier in his Regiment and from the best information such as I can rely on he received a Wound in the Battle which disabled his arm. Given under my hand this 15th day of May 1830

S/ John McDowell



of May 1830
John McDowell

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Commonwealth of Kentucky: Scott County to wit

James McCreskey of the County of Scott and State of Kentucky, this day personally came before me one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid and did declare on oath that he was acquainted with Hugh Lusk (who is here present) while he was a soldier in the service of the United States in Captain Alexander Telford's Company of the Virginia troops attached to Colonel Samuel McDowell's Regiment & that he knew said Hugh Lusk was in the Battle called & known by the name of the Battle of Guilford in the State of North Carolina (said to be in the year 1781) & that he said McCreskey was in said battle & that he heard said Lusk's neighbors at that time say that said Lusk was wounded & he believed it to be true.

S/Samuel Finley, JP SC

[attested September 14, 1829]

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Elizabeth Town Hardin County State of Kentucky

This day personally appeared before me John Morris a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Robert R Crutcher of the County and State aforesaid and made oath that he has been well acquainted with Hugh Lusk for the space of thirty-five years, passed sixteen years of that

time he the said Lusk resided in the County of Jessamine and State aforesaid and since that time he has resided in Hardin County and State aforesaid – the first sixteen years of my knowledge of the said Lusk he followed farming and sometimes was engaged as a rough carpenter and boat builder &c and since his residence in Hardin County I believe his mode of Life has been uniformly the same as in Jessamine County – In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of October 1829

S/ John Morris, JP HC

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of six dollars per month commencing March 1st, 1829 for service in the Virginia militia.]