

**Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of George Hankins (Hawkins) S31102

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act for the Relief of Certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Revolution approved on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828, I George Hankins in the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution and continued in service for two years a Corporal in Captain John Brent's Company in 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line. I also declare that the pay I received for my service died on my hand [????]<sup>1</sup>. I also declare that I received a discharge which has long since been lost or mislaid. I further declare that I was never on the Pension list of the United States.

S/ George Hankins, X his mark

Before me James C Burnett a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky, personally appeared this day Joshua Richardson and Peter Rigg Respectable Citizens of the said County who did severally make oath that George Hankins by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed is generally reputed & believed to have been a Soldier in the Army of the Revolution in manner therein stated. They further state that they have known said George Hankins for upwards of 40 years and that said Hankins has always since they knew him been Reputed and believed to have been a Soldier of the Revolution.

Witness my hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1829

S/ Ja. C. Burnett, JP SC

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State of Kentucky Shelby County Sct.

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Shelby County Court now sitting George Hankins of the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky aged eighty-two years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he was enlisted in Charlotte County and State of Virginia soon after the commencement of the American Revolution, the year not recollected, for the term of two years, in the company commanded by Captain John Brent or Brunt whose Lieutenant was \_\_\_ Spencer

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his first name not recollected, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Read [Isaac Read]. He marched from Charlotte Courthouse to Norfolk, from Norfolk to Philadelphia, he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], the Plains [perhaps White Plains, October 28, 1776] and the Long Bridge [December 9, 1775] and many other skirmishes, He served two years the time for which he enlisted and received an Honorable discharge, which discharge he kept for many years, but which he cannot now find it. He the said Hankins has only set forth in the foregoing declaration such facts as he distinctly recollects, the date of his enlistment as above stated, and many other incidents he does not sufficiently recollect to swear to. He the said George Hankins 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 or Territory.

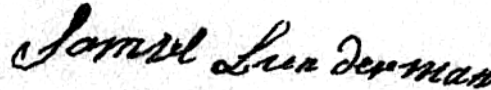
Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid

S/ George Hankins, X his mark

[James C Burnett and Benone S. Newland gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The Commonwealth of Kentucky Spencer County Sct. Personally appeared Samuel Lunderman the undersigned & made oath that he was one of the Company commanded the Captain John Brent of the Continental establishment of the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Isaac Read and that he knew George Hankins and that said George Hankins was of the same Company and that he the said Hank and served in Captain Brent's Company as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War for the period of 2 years.

S/ Samuel Lunderman



[attested March 9<sup>th</sup>, 1829]

Commonwealth of Kentucky Mercer County Sct.

Personally appeared before me, Thomas J Crawford a Justice of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid home free May, who has hereunto subscribed his hand, and made oath that he was one of the Company commanded by Captain John Brent of the Continental Establishment of the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colonel Isaac Reed & that he knew George Hankins, and that he knew the said Hankins to be of the same Company as a private <sup>Corporal</sup> and that the said Hankins served 2 years in the same company & Regiment with himself

S/ Humphrey May<sup>2</sup>



Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1829

S/ Tho. J. Crawford, JP MC

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]

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<sup>2</sup> [Humphrey May W8408](#)

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Addendum to George Hankins (Hawkins) S31102

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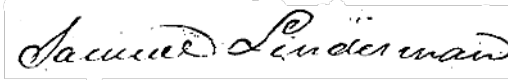
Shelby County Kentucky Sct} [5 Jan 1822]

George Hankins personally appeared before me Ja. C. Burnett a Justice of the peace for said county and made oath that he Inlisted in Virginia in the year 1776 for three years as a Sergeant in Capt John Brunt's [sic: John Brent VAS2630] Company in the fourth Virginia Regiment on Continental line Comanded by Col Robert Lawson [VAS850] and that he continued to serve in said service untill said Inlistment was expired at which time he was honorably discharged at Schoolkill [sic: Schuylkill] in Pennsylvania and that he was appointed a Sergeant when he first Inlisted and continued to act as such all the time of such Inlistment and was discharged a Sergeant and through the course of time he has lost his discharge and has never rec'd his land warrant for said service

George hisXmark Hankins

State of Kentucky Spencer county to wit}

This day [29 Oct 1824] Samuel Linderman [VAS4557] personly appeared before me Jephthah Berkley a Justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid and made oath that he was well acquainted with George Hankins who has Subscribed to the foregoing decliration and that he served with him in the company and Hankins who has Subscribed to the foregoing decliration and that he served with Regiment aforesaid and as a soldier he served out his time for which he enlisted



Samuel Linderman