

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Abia (Abiah) Hukill (Hucans) S35439

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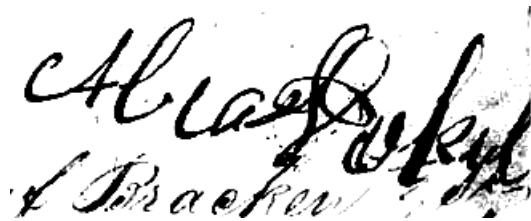
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To the Honorable the Secretary of War of the United States

The petition of Abia Hukill a resident of Kentucky most respectfully represents that being desirous to aid his Country in her struggles for independence, all that lay in his power, he entered into the service of the United States as a private soldier by voluntary enlistment for "during the war" with John Rodolp [John Rudolph] a Lieutenant in Lee's troop of Light horse, at the head of elk [River], sometime, to the best of his recollection in the year 1778 April. He remained under Lee's command during his whole term of service, was discharged at Charlestown [Charleston] in South Carolina in the year 1783 by Major Egleston [Joseph Eggleston] of the same troop was in the battle of Guilford Court house, at the Siege of Ninety Six, at the storming of Georgetown, on black River South Carolina at the taking of Fort Mott on [word written over and illegible] was at the battle of the Eutaw Springs, then belonging to the same troop of horse commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Lee at the taking of Golfins Fort on the Savannah River, was in many severe skirmishes and never quitted the service from the time of enlisting in it to the close of the war. Urged by necessity, being in indigent circumstances, your petitioner most respectfully bags, that he may be inscribed on the invalid pension list roll of the Kentucky agency, authorized by recent Act of Congress, passed for the benefit of the officers & soldiers of the revolutionary Army, and further your petitioner declares, that he is not in the habit of receiving nor ever has received any pension from the United States: All which is respectfully submitted by

S/ Abiah Hukill



[Acknowledged in Bracken County Kentucky May 4, 1818]

State of Kentucky County of Bracken: SS

Be it known that before us Robert Walton and Arthur Thorne Justices of the peace in and for the County and state aforesaid personally appeared John J Thomas and Abiah Hukill and made oath that they entered the service of the US by voluntary enlistment to serve during the war about the same time at the Head of Elk to the best of their recollection in April 1778 the both enlisted with Lieutenant Rodolph of Lees Legion, in which they generally served together until the close of the war were together in many Battles and Skirmishes and eventually were both honorably discharged at Charleston South Carolina by Major Joseph Egleston of said Corps in

1783.

Before us this 4th day of May 1818

S/ Robert Walton

S/ Arthur Thorne

State of Kentucky Sct.

At a Court held for Mason County the 12th day of February 1821

Abiah Hukill produced in court a declaration in conformity to the act of Congress in that case made and provided which having been sworn to in open court is ordered to be filed among the records of this Court. It is further ordered that it be certified to the Secretary of War that this Court is of opinion from the evidence of said of Abiah Hukill sworn in open court that he is possessed of no property other than as is stated in his said declaration which declaration is as follows to wit:

County Court of Mason in the First Judicial District of Kentucky: SS

On this 12th day of February personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County of Mason in the District aforesaid Abiah Hukill or Hukans aged sixty-two years resident in Mason County in said District who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows to wit: – Enlisted at the head of Elk [River] in the State of Virginia in Lee's Legion of horse to serve during the war that he continued to serve in said Corps until the year 1781 when he was discharged from the said service in Charleston in the State of South Carolina – that he was in the battles of Guilford court house [March 15th, 1781], Siege of Ninety Six [May-June, 1781], at the storming of Georgetown [probably the engagement on January 24, 1781], at the taking of Fort Mott [Fort Motte, May 12, 1781], Battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], taking of Golfin's Fort [Fort Galphin, May 21, 1781] on the Savannah River &c &c. That for said services on a declaration made by him the said Abiah Hukill or Hukans on the 4th day of May 1818, he received from the Honorable J C Calhoun Secretary of War, a pension certificate dated at the war office of the United States on the 18th day of March 1819.

And I the said Abiah Hukill or Hukans do do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed to wit:

One mare 8 years old worth \$20	
one ditto one eyed 16 years old worth \$15	\$35.00
2 cows worth \$10 each 9 small hogs worth one dollar each	29.00
One old plow worth \$2, one old hoes worth 9 cts	2.12
one ax words \$.50 cents 2 old chairs worth 1/6 each	3.00
one table worth one dollar one cupboard worth \$6	7.00
no dishes 6 plates worth 9d each 6 knives & forks 4/6	1.50
one cast iron oven without a lid worth	.75
one old crack cattle worth 3/(this sold)	<u>30</u>
Amounting to	\$77.87

I have living with me an old wife between sixty and seventy years of age, entirely disabled and one single daughter about twenty years of age, this daughter is my only dependence having myself no trade or occupation, being ruptured, and having measurably lost the use of my left arm.

S/ Abiah Hukill, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 4th, 1818, for service as a private for 5 years in the service of Maryland.]

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 4-page file

Kentucky Bracken County Sct

Be it known that on this 20 day of February 1823 personally appeared by the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid John Jarmain Thomas a citizen of the said County who being sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that he was a private in Lieutenant Colonel Henry Lee's Legion during the American Revolutionary War that he was well acquainted with Abia Hukill as he is now called (but who was at that time called Hukins by which name he is probably known on the roll as he was generally called Hukins) said Hukill enlisted in April 1778 in Captain Lindsey [William Lindsay] Troop of Dragoons called the 2nd Troop in Lieutenant Colonel Henry Lee's Legion – as a private, – in the service of the United States in the County of Cecil State of Maryland in which Legion said Hukill a Hakins continued to serve until he together with the rest of the troop and this deponent were discharged at the Eutaw Springs in South Carolina at the close of the Revolutionary War in 1782, and that said Abia Hukins or Hukill was [part of the image of this page is cut off at the bottom] Major Eggleston

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Subscribed & sworn to before me – this 20th of February 1823

S/ Arthur Thorne