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Pension Application of James Hanlon S37994

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Virginia Sct At a court held for the county of Harrison on the 17th day of November 1818 and 43rd year of the Commonwealth Present John Sommerville, Samuel Pallovic[?], Edward P. Jackson, and Joseph Johnson Gent[lemen] Justices of s'd. County before the Court aforesaid personally appeared James Hanlin who being sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to procure the provision made by the late 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." That he the said James enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Shultz [possibly William Shute] of the Second Regiment of New Jersey regulars on the continental establishment in the year 1775 for the term of one year that he continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the united states for the full term of his enlistment when he was discharged from service at fort George in Canada in the month of November 1776. that he afterwards enlisted in the Spring of 1777 at martinsburg Virginia [now WV] in the company commanded by Captain Wells [possibly George Walls] of the 4th Virginia Regiment of the united states Regulars commanded by Colonel [Robert] Lawson for the Term of 3 years that he served out the full time of his enlistment in the said Corps or in the service of the united states when he was discharged at Petersburg Virginia in the year 1780. That he was in the Battles of Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Powles Hook [sic: Paulus Hook NJ, 19 Aug 1776 or 19 Aug 1779] & at Stoney Point [sic: Stony Point NY, 15 Jun 1779] that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support, and that he has no other evidence of his said services none in his power —

Virginia SS

At a court held for the County of Harrison on the 17th day of July 1820 (it being a court of record established by an act of the General assembly of this Commonwealth) Personally appeared before the Court aforesaid James Hanlon of Harrison County and State of Virginia who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows towit. That he enlisted in Captain Shoats Company in the 2^d Jersey Regiment commanded by Col [William] Maxwell New Jersey line the date of his Original declaration was November 17th 1818. The Number of his pension Certificate was 10604 and I 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 annexed and by me subscribed. viz. I have one cow and calf worth \$10. My household furniture is worth about \$12. My occupation is a Taylor but in consequence of the loss of the use of my right arm I am unable to follow my trade. I have two in family myself aged 66 years, and my Daughter Sarah aged 23 years. Our joint labour is insufficient for our support.

James Hanlon

[The following is from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To the Honourable Governor & Council of Virginia

Your Humble Petitioner James Hanlon an old Revolutionary Soldier Humbly sheweth that he is entitled to a certain portion of Bounty land which he has never received for his services in the fourth Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Robert Lawson in Chatham in the Jerseys in the month of april in the year 1777. I joined Captain Wales company, since Major Wales, I served in Captain Edwards Company and was discharged in march in the year 1780 by Colonel John Nevil [sic: John Nevill], my time of

servitude was three years, for and in consideration of these services I Humbly pray that the Honorable Governor and council will please to grant me a title to my land and shall ever pray 12th day of January 1829
James Hanlon

[Among [bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#) are documents catalogued under the name James Hanlan, parts of which are illegible. One of the documents dated 19 Feb 1836 in Harrison County certifies that Richard Hanlen and Sarah Batton were the only heirs of James Hanlon. Another partly legible document is a petition for bounty land by Sarah Batton, formerly Sarah Danton[?], which appears to summarize James Hanlon's service as he did in his pension application.]