

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hill S38029

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Charles City County State of Virginia to wit:

On this 16th day of July 1818 before us the Subscribers Justices of the Peace and Judges of the County Court of Charles City, personally appeared James Hill aged 59 years resident in the County of Sussex in the State of Virginia who being by us first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain 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 Hill enlisted in the year 1777 in the County of Charles City in the State of Virginia under Lieutenant Epaphroditus Reeder and was enrolled in the company commanded by Captain Thomas W Ewell of the first Virginia State Regiment which was transferred to Continental establishment; That he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States until January 1780 when he was discharged from service in Alexandria in the State of Virginia – that he was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and the Storming of Stony Point [July 16, 1779], and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and that he has no other evidence.

Sworn to and declared before us the day and year aforesaid

S/ Edward Folkes

S/ Alex Walker

S/ Christopher S Roane

S/ Edward Poindexter

On the 4th day of January 1821, personally appeared in Open Court, being a Court of Record for the County of Sussex in the State of Virginia, James Hill aged Sixty-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820, that the said James Hill enlisted for the term of three years some day in the month of January 1777 in the County of Charles City and State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Ewell of the first State Regiment commanded by Colonel George Gibson of the Virginia line on Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Company until the __ day of January 1780 when he was discharged in the Town of Alexandria the State of Virginia, that he was in the battle at Monmouth and at Stony Point and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Services than a certificate signed by J C Calhoun Secretary of War of the United States placing him on the pension list under the Act of Congress of March

18th, 1818 for the of his said service being made when he applied under the said Act of Congress for a pension –

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 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.

Signed James Hill

Schedule of property (except Clothing, beds & bedding) of James Hill of the County of Sussex and formerly a Soldier in the Revolutionary War, 3 earthen dishes, 21 earthen plates, a set of Cups and Saucers, 1 tin pot, 1 Coffee pot, half dozen knives and forks, 1 small pitcher, 1 ladle, 1 jug, 1 earthen bowl, 1 bread pan, 1 pewter dish and basin, 2 earthen vessels, 2 tin pans, 1 saddle and Bridle, 7 books, 1 pot & hooks; 1 Dutch oven, 1 small looking glass, 2 pair of Cotton Cards, 1 pair of tongs and shoveled, 1 Grid Iron, 1 trivet, 2 washing tubs, 4 pails, 3 bread trays, 1 ax, 2 weeding hoes, 1 pine chest, 1 wire sieve, 1 pair of flat irons, 1 Cow, bricklayers tools, 2 ink stands, 2 razors and there is owing to me from several persons the sum of \$21.25 and I have \$5.12 ½ in cash.

Signed James Hill

The Court is of Opinion that the said James Hill's Schedule does not exceed eighty dollars and it is ordered that the Clerk do certify the same accordingly.

A list of James Hill's family residing with him, Given the 4th day of January 1821. James Hill aged Sixty-two years by trade a bricklayer, though from his advanced age unable to do much at that business, Betty Hill aged 54 years, infirm, Patsey Hill, his daughter 27 years old infirm, Lucinda Hill 24 years old Healthy, Mary R Hill 21 years old healthy, Joyce S Hill 15 years old healthy.

Signed James Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 16, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]