

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hungerford (Hungerfoot) S38856

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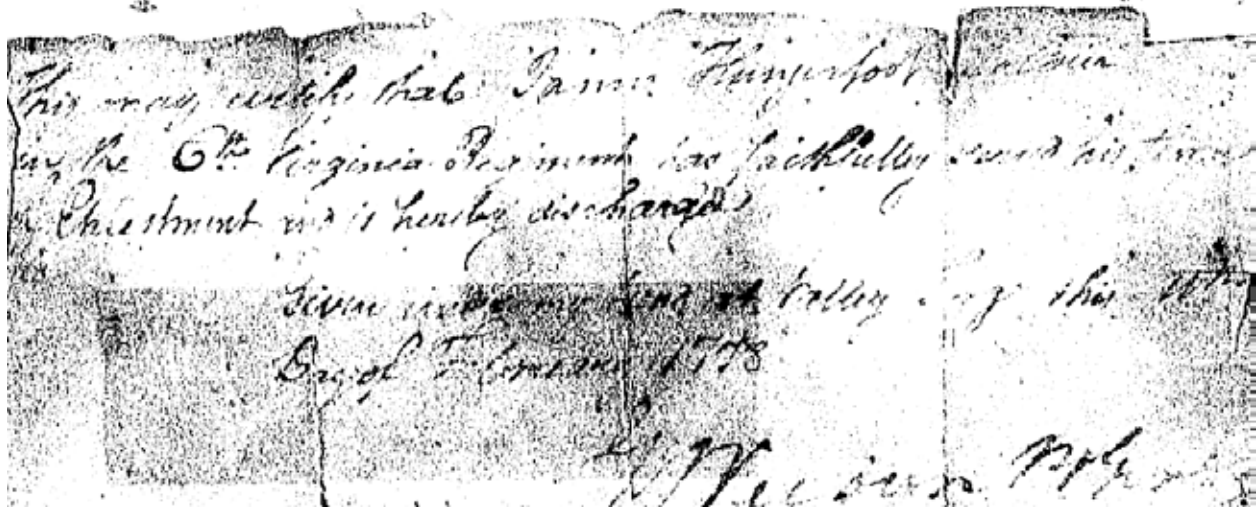
To the Honorable the Secretary of War –

The petition of James Hungerford of the County of Williamson and State of Tennessee stating represents that about the 7th of February 1776 he enlisted in the service of the United States for the space of two years during the American revolution under Nicholas Hobson Lieutenant of the sixth Virginian Regiment commanded by Captain James Johnson, Major [indecipherable name] and General Wedon [George Weedon], at the Flat-rock in the County of Lunenburg of the State of Virginia, that he was in the battles of Trenton [January 2, 1777] and Princeton [January three, 1777] both in the capture of the Hessians and the British, and also in the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777], where I was unfortunately wounded in the neck and shoulder by the entrance of a ball which still remains in his shoulder, and also that he was in several other engagements during the war, the names of which being now weak and infirm he is unable to recollect. Further this applicant states that he remained in the service of the United States for the space of two years and better after which he was honorably discharged in the month of February in the year 1778 at Valley Forge by the acting General Weedon, whose certificate of the service aforesaid he herewith transmits as the only testimony he can possibly obtain. The applicant further states that he has never received of the United States any pay or emolument since his time of discharge for his aforesaid services in the American Army during the revolution and that he hereby relinquishes all the right or claim he may have as a revolutionary Soldier to any pay or emolument or advantage granted or given by an act of Congress anterior to the present act, making provision for the revolutionary Soldiers. Further this applicant affirms and states that he is of the age of sixty-eight years and much weakened by the toils and fatigues he has been compelled to pass through since the close of the American Revolution being remarkable [?] from such a large family to support aggravated by the wounds he then received, the pains of which still lurk in his system, and that at present he is wholly unable to support himself or family by his personal exertions who with himself must certainly suffer unless assistance be granted from some friendly hand. That he lives in the County of Williamson near the Town of Franklin in the State of Tennessee where he has remained for many years, reduced to poverty and want with his family which with the premises being considered he prays to be placed upon the list of Pensioners and so the enabled to all the benefits and advantages of the law of Congress passed in the year 1818 making provision for officers and soldiers of the American revolution.

S/ James Hungerford, X his mark

This may certify that James Hungerfoot Soldier
in the sixth Virginia Regiment has faithfully served his time
of Enlistment and is hereby discharged. Given under my hand at Valley Forge this 11th day of
February 1778

S/ G. Weedon B. Genl.



District of West Tennessee Williamson County on this 15th day of August 1820 James Hungerford appeared in open court before the Honorable, Stuart Judge thereof being a court of record and so declared by has act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee said James Hungerford being the sixty-nine years of age resident in the Williamson County in said District of West Tennessee who being first duly sworn doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War under Colonel Buckner in the sixth Virginia line of infantry in the company commanded by Captain James Johnson he does not recollect when he entered the service nor when he was discharged he recollects he was honorably discharged at Valley Forge by General Weedon 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 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 viz. clothing whatsoever excepting my necessary clothing & bedding

six knives & forks, eight plates and four old chairs not exceeding in all \$10 in value

S/ James Hungerford, X his mark

and the said James Hungerford further states that he lives with William Smith on a small farm where [he] does such little things (which are few) as his age & strength permits. He has a wife upwards of fifty years old and two daughters the oldest is about twenty-five the youngest about seventeen his wife is like himself and infirm & can contribute but little to aid him his two daughters spin, we've and so and are about competent to their own support he has been placed already on the port pension list by certificate issued by the Hand of J C Calhoun dated the third of February 1819 and numbered 6377

S/ James Hungerford, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing August 11, 1818, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]