

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Hugh Stewart S40499

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The ninth Judicial District of Pennsylvania Ss.

On the twenty third day of January AD 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record by the Constitution and Laws of Pennsylvania for the County of Franklin, Hugh Stewart aged seventy three 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 March 1818 and the 1st May 1820. that he the said Hugh Stewart enlisted for and during the war in the month of May in the year seventeen hundred and seventy seven in the State of Pennsylvania in the Company commanded by Captain John Wilky [sic: John Wilkins] in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel [Oliver] Spencer in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said Corps until he was transfered into Captain Bouds [sic: Thomas Boude's] Company, belonging to the 5th Pennsylvania Regiment Commanded by Colonel Richard Butler in the line of the State of Pennsylvania that he continued to serve in the last mentioned Company until the month of August in the year 1783 when he was discharged from the said service in Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania. That he served three years and a half in Wilkys Company, the remainder of the time in Captain Bouds Company. That he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777] Munmoth [sic: Monmouth, 28 Jun 1778], in the Campaign against the Indians with Genl Sullyvan [sic: John Sullivan, summer 1779], and at the taking of Cornwallis [Yorktown VA, 19 Oct 1781]. That his discharge has been lost. That he has no evidence in his power but the papers & depositions that accompanies this application.

And in pursuance of the act of 1st May 1820 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 hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Hugh hisXmark Stewart

The applicant has no property – has no family. Lives on the charity of the public in the poorhouse of Franklin County. This deponent has applied for a pension about four years since in person.

Hugh hisXmark Stewart

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Personally appeared before the undersigned one of the Justices of the peace in and for the said county Christopher Hite [BLWt308-100] of the said county farmer who being sworn on the holy evangelists of Almighty God doth depose and say that in the year 1776 or 1777 deponent enlisted as a common soldier in the army of the United States on the continental establishment to serve to the end of the war with Great Britain. That deponent did continue to serve through the whole war of the revolution till its close. That some time after deponents enlistment under Captain John Wilkins as the company was marching from Bedford to Philadelphia the said John Wilkins enlisted a man by the name of Hugh Stuart, at a tavern some place between Shippensbug [sic: Shippensburg] and Carlisle. Deponent, after the inlistment of the said Stuart, became well acquainted with him, and part of the time was a messmate with him. The said Stuart continued to serve in the same company with deponent till the close of the war and was discharged at the same time with deponent at the city of Philadelphia. Deponent was in the battles of Brandywine and German town, the battle of the Green Springs in Virginia [Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] and in the siege of York Town at the taking of Cornwallace, with the said Hugh Stuart besides being

along with him in several other engagements. Deponent has not seen the said Hugh Stuart since some [undeciphered word] after the deponent & he were discharged at the close of the revolutionary war. Deponent has lately been informed that a man of the name of Hugh Stuart is now in the poor house near Chambersburg, who from the description deponent has received of him, deponent believes to be the same person that by that name served through the revolutionary war along with deponent against the common enemy. At the time deponent and said Stuart were discharged they were under the command of Colonel Josiah Harmar [pension application W3246], and Captain Bowan. The said Hugh Stuart was Honourably discharged. While deponent knew him he bore a good character for honesty and integrity, and always discharged his duty with fidelity as a soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed this 17th of January 1822 before
me one of the Justices of the peace in & for said county
Thomas R Gettys

Christopher hisXmark Hite

NOTE: A note on the pension certificate indicates that Stewart died on 20 Jan 1823.