

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hicks S41638

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State of Ohio Belmont County

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1818 Before Me the subscriber one of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Monroe and State aforesaid Personally appeared John Hicks aged 63 years Resident in the County and State aforesaid who being by me duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions 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 John Hicks Listed [enlisted] in March 1776 for two years in the company commanded by Captain West fall [Abel Westfall] in the state of Virginia 8 Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Mellingsbury [Peter Muhlenberg] where he continued until he was Honorable Discharged in the State of Pennsylvania on schoolkil [Schuylkill River] at the Valley Forge in March 1778 and was in the Battle at the taking of Burgoyne [Battle of Saratoga, or Bemis Heights, October 7, 1777] and in the Battle at Mrs. Scatterday and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of Assistance of his country for support and that he has no other Evidence now in his power of his said services his said discharge been lost or mislaid.

S/ John Hicks, X his mark

State of Ohio Monroe County: SS: At the Court of Common Pleas at the July Term A.D. 1820 –

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July A.D. 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for said County John Hicks aged 66 years resident of Monroe County Ohio who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. He served as a private in Captain Falls Company of the 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Mughlenberg & served for the term of 2 years.

He has received a pension certificate from the Government of the United States, the date of which is the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1819 & the date of his original declaration is the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

Schedule

Two Small horses – \$60      Two Cows \$24 – One Sow & five pigs \$4 – one Plough – 3 – 4  
Plates – 3 chairs, 1 Table, 3 Cups & Saucers, 3 spoons, five knives & 5 forks, 2 tin cups, 2  
buckets of the value of \$10

Total \$101

S/ John Hicks, X his mark

The family of the declarant consist of his wife Sarah aged 45 years who is only able to attend to cooking the meals; a son Benjamin aged 24 years out of the control of the Declarant, a son William aged 16 years sometimes at home, a daughter Maria aged 14 years, a Daughter Betsey aged 12 years, a son Matthew aged 9 years, a son Jeremiah aged 7 years and a son Joseph aged 3 years – their children are not able to support Declarant & family – The occupation of declarant has been that of a farmer – he is now infirm & cannot work but little. The declarant rents 9 acres of land for which he is to give \$15 per year.

S/ John Hicks, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 20, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]