Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Hunt S41663

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The State of Ohio Clark County Court of common pleas of the term of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

James Hunt an applicant for pension made the following declaration to wit:

The State of Ohio Clark County Ss

on this seventeenth day of October A.D. 1831 personally appeared in open court in the Court of Common pleas in & for Clark County in the State of Ohio the same being a court of record expressly so made by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio James Hunt a resident in said County aged seventy six years in May A.D. 1831 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 first of May 1820

That he the said James Hunt enlisted for the term of three years on the twentieth day of May A.D. 1778 in the State of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Hatch Dent in the Regiment commanded by Col. [John] Gunby in the line of the state of Maryland on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps until his Captain was taken by the enemy while on a scouting party near Elizabeth Town in Jew Jersey, that he was then transfered to the company commanded by Captain Henry Gaiter [sic: Henry Gaither] and that he was afterwards sent to the South and served out the time for which he enlisted and was discharged by General [William] Smallwood that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name is not on the pension roll of any State and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension The health and strength of this petitioner was such as to enable him to support himself by his labour until within a few years and since the failure of his strength which has been gradual he has been aided by disposing of the little stock of personal property which had accumulated in the course of a series of years while he was able to work.

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 derived from my own labour, That since the 18th of March 1818 no changes have taken place in his property other than the gradual reduction of it by living upon it as the strength of this petitioner failed, that his family consists of himself and wife The latter aged about fifty two years and they lived thus for the last seventeen years, that the following is a true schedule of all the property he owns or has in possession (necessary clothing and beding excepted) viz:

1 mare 17 years old & cold of last spring

1 Cow and Calf

1 Bureau

1 Cupboard

3 Chairs

a few plates knives & forks

1 sow & 7 pigs

1 8 gallon kettle

1 small pot

1 small spider

1 Table

1 Loking glass

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Land OFFICE,/ Annapolis, March 17th 1831;

I certify that it appears by the Muster Rolls remaining in the office, that James Hunt enlisted as a private in the first Maryland Regiment, on the twentieth day of May 1778, and was discharged on the fourteenth day of February 1779; George G. Brewer/ Reg'r L'd Off. W. S Md.

NOTE: A letter dated 7 Dec 1840 indicates that James Hunt was then living in Indiana.