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Pension Application of Herbert Lewis S4529

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State of North Carolina }

Chatham County }

On this [blank] day of [blank; 26 Mar 1833] personally appeared in open court before the Justices of said court now sitting Herbert Lewis a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 74 years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he entered the service of the United States and served as herein stated In the latter part of the year 1778 he was drafted in the County of Dinwiddie in the State of Virginia and joined a company of Militia as a private under the Command of Capt George Peagram [sic: George Pegram] at Petersburg where he rendezvoused sometime the company was joined by militia from Prince George and Sussex the whole commanded by Col. Brown he was marched to Blands Mills from thence to Suffolk from thence to Cabin Point [on James River in Surry County] and Sleepy hole [on Nansemond River, now Suffolk City], at one of which places he was discharged after having served 3 months he received no written discharge on this occasion. He further states that sometime in the year 1780 he substituted himself in the place of Reuben Westmoreland and rendezvoused at Petersburg with a company commanded by Captain Baker Peagram [sic: Baker Pegram] or Capt Peterson Goodwin he was employed for sometime at Petersburg in moulding bullets and preparing cartridges for the army but was occasionally marched short distances from Petersburg and after having served 3 months was discharged at a place called Everetts old Field about 30 miles below Petersburg he received no written discharge on this occasion

He further states that in the year 1781 he was drafted in the county and State aforesaid and a Company under the command of Captain Eppes [Peter Eppes, pension application S8424] at Dinwiddie Court house from thence he was marched to Petersburg where he remained some days and was joined by a number of militia from the neighbouring counties from thence he was marched to Old James Town and crossed James River at that Place from thence he was marched to Williamsburg where he remained a few days and was joined by General Washingtons Army [20 - 26 Sep 1781] from thence he was marched to Little York and was present during the whole seige [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] after the surrender of Cornwallis he was marched to Williamsburg and discharged after having served Two months and a half he received no written discharge on this occasion

He further states that in the Spring of the year 1782 he was drafted in the county of Dinwiddie in the state of Virginia for the Term of 18 months but at the time he was confined with the small Pox and did not join the Army until the latter part of may in the same year when he joined the army at Cumberland old court house on James River and was attached to a company commanded by Capt Thomas in the Regiment commanded by Colonel [Samuel] Hawes he remained at the aforesaid place until the 24th of December in the same year when he was marched to Winchester Barracks where he remained guarding the Prisoners that were taken at Little York until the 1st of June 1783 when he was discharged after having served Twelve months his discharge was signed by by Colonel Hawes. He further states that he was actually engaged in the service as above stated for the Term of Twenty months and a half that he has no documentary evidence except the discharge signed by Colonel Hawes and that he knows of no person whose Testimony he can procure who can testimony to his services – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state of Territory in the union

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[signed] Herbert Lewis

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists Habbert Lewis/ age 22/ height 5' 9"/ brown hair/ hazel eyes/ dark complexion/ planter/ born and residing in Dinwiddie County where he was drafted on 6 June 1782 for 18 months. Sided 26 June 1782.

A document in the file states that Lewis died on 15 Jan 1841.