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Pension application of John Hawkins S5451 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Virginia Hampshire County Sc.

On this 22nd day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court before John McDowell, Christopher Heiskiel, John Crump [?], Philip [last name illegible] Gentlemen Justices of the court of Hampshire County now sitting John Hawkins a resident of Hampshire County in the State of Virginia aged eighty-two 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 7 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that on the last of September 1780 he was drafted in the militia for six months and served out the whole tour. That he entered the service in Berkeley County Virginia in a company commanded by Captain Culbert Anderson and was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Lucas, that General Stephens or Stephenson [probably Edward Stevens] was also in command, that he marched to Hillsboro in North Carolina & from that to Salisbury – from there to Charlotte & from thence towards Charleston South Carolina to Headquarters near Cheraw Hills, that after he reached North Carolina he was taken from the ranks and perform the duty of an artificer that he was just before the battle of Guilford Court house [March 15, 1781] put as one of the guard with prisoners to Albemarle County Virginia. That the only regular officer he knew was General Green [presumably Nathanael Greene] & thinks one of his aids whose sword he mended, that he has no other evidence of his service than the annexed affidavit.

He hereby relinquishes any 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

S/ John Hawkins

[Charles Carlyle and Robert N White gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]

John Hawkins