

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Boswell Hutchings S5587

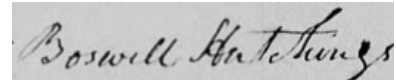
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State of Virginia } SS:
County of Dinwiddie }

On this 17th day of September, in the year 1832, personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court of Dinwiddie, Boswell Hutchings, a resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy three years the 10th day of June last, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States, in the County of Dinwiddie, where he there, and has ever since resided, in February in the year 1776 in a company commanded by Captain John Jones, and served in the sixth Virginia Regiment of the Continental line, under the following named officers: viz, that the officers of the company to which he belonged were at first, Capt. John Jones, 1st Lieut. Peter Jones, 2nd Lieut William Starke, and Ensign Dinwiddie Goodwyn. That in a short time however after his enlistment, the Capt. John Jones, was cashiered and dismissed the service, and the 1st Lieut, Peter Jones, having been arrested and tried and though acquitted rendered dissatisfied, resigned after which the company was commanded by Capt. Alex'r. Rose [Alexander Rose BLWt863-300], and believes, but does not distinctly recollect that Wm. Starke was then the 1st Lieutenant. That the Regiment was commanded by Colo. [Mordecai] Buckner. That he continued to serve in the said corps until February 1778, when after the expiration of two years service, he was discharged at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania, but by some accident long since lost his discharge. That he was in the battles of Trenton [26 Dec 1776], Princeton [3 Jan 1777], Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], and Mud Island [Siege of Fort Mifflin, 10 Oct - 15 Nov 1777], and in several skirmishes at different places. That in the year 1825 having been advised that he was entitled to a bounty in land under the laws of Congress, in which however, he failed to succeed, he made a Declaration before the County Court of Dinwiddie to entitle him thereto, an authenticated transcript thereof, with the testimony then exhibited to the Court, he offers herewith as evidence of his services. That the said Peter Eppes [pension application S8424] there mentioned, and who was an officer in the 6th Reg't is still living in this county, and is ready, as well as others if deemed necessary, to come forward, and attest his services, before this court. That however unessential to his present object it may be, he will remark, that subsequently to his discharge from the continental line, he served about twelve months on different occasions in the Virginia Militia – was commissioned an Ensign in the Virginia Militia, and was (as he regrets to state) at Gates' defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780], and also at the seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], where he had the gratification of witnessing, and taking part in the last hostilities of the revolutionary war. He deems it unimportant to state the particulars – the officers &c connected with his militia services, supposing the former sufficient to entitle him to the pension for which he is an applicant.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on th pension roll of any agency in any state.



Commonwealth of Virginia

In Dinwiddie County Court, on Monday the 18th day of April 1825, personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record, and made such by the laws of the State of Virginia Boswell Hutchings aged sixty six years, resident in the said County of Dinwiddie, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he the said Boswell Hutchings enlisted in the County of Dinwiddie, in

the State of Virginia aforesaid, in the Company commanded by Captain John Jones of the sixth Virginia regiment upon the Continental establishment – that he continued to serve in the said Corps, from February 1776, when he enlisted until February 1778, at which time he was discharged at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania, that by some accident he has lost his discharge that he was in the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine, Germantown & Mud Island and in several skirmishes, and that he is informed that by an act of Congress he is entitled to a bounty in land for his services, which he is desirous to obtain. Sworn to & declared on the day and in the year first above written.

Boswell Hutchings

Before the Court Baker Pegram, Peter Epes & Claiborne Elder, being duly sworn depose, that they were in the same Regiment with the said Boswell Hutchings during the Revolutionary War, and that he enlisted, served and was discharged, as he in his declaration has stated & sworn. Subscribed & sworn to in open Court, the day & year aforesaid.

Baker Pegram, Peter Epes – Claiborne hisXmark Elder