

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Hutchinson (Hutchison, Hutchingson) W3019 Sarah f85VA
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State of Kentucky Woodford County: SS

On this the 16th day of November 1842 Personally appeared before me Oscar Pepper Esquire an Acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Woodford and State of Kentucky Mrs. Sarah Hutchinson resident of the County of Woodford, and the State of Kentucky and widow of Peter Hutchinson Deceased who is a Lady of undoubted respectability and who after being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to aid an allowance for the amount due her as the widow of the said Peter Hutchinson on account of the services rendered by said Peter Hutchinson in the War of the Revolution To wit That the reasons her aforesaid husband did not apply during his life for the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832 are as follows that he became blind about ten years before his death and resided in the remote portion of Woodford County Kentucky and was not apprised of the passage of the said law until sometime in the year 1835, and that he then spoke to the Honorable David Mitchell who has testified in this case to attend to his application for the benefit of said Law, and then stated to Mr. Mitchell the nature and particulars of his services in the war of the Revolution. Mr. Mitchell then promised to attend and see that he was enrolled on the rolls of the Revolutionary Pensioners, and he being a man of a great deal business postponed attending to the matter until the death of said Peter Hutchinson which took place on the 20th day of September 1837. She saith that Mister David Mitchell was one of the most busiest man in the portion of the County in which her aforesaid husband resided and was one of their neighbors was the reason he was applied to by her husband to attend to his business, and had he not have promised to attend to the matter and negligently postponed the same, her aforesaid husband would have spoken to someone else to attend it. She further declares that from the frequent mention made by her aforesaid husband of the Officers, General Green [Nathanael Greene] and Colonel Lee [Henry Lee] and the Army of General Green she supposes that her aforesaid husband must have served in the war of the Revolution in the company of Colonel Lee and under General Green's Command: And the Regiment she cannot now say the number of, but supposes it to be the same to which Colonel Lee belonged. The declares that the services of her aforesaid husband in the war of the Revolution were rendered towards the close of the war. And that her recollection is supported in this particular by a certificate hereto annexed from the Auditor of the State of Virginia showing that the services of her aforesaid husband in the war of the Revolution were rendered prior to the year 1762. She cannot say the precise date her aforesaid husband entered the service in the War of the Revolution and the precise time he left the same, but in first from the fact shown by the aforesaid Certificate that his services were rendered previous to 1782;

that her aforesaid husband left the same in 1781, and from the circumstance that he served 3 years in said war, that he must have entered the same in 1778 – She further declares that she often times heard her aforesaid husband speak of an officer in whose company she thinks he served by the name of Payton and his that is her said husband's service was in the company of Major Henry Peyton and Colonel Lee if her recollection serves her at this day right. She further Declares that many other officers of the Revolution has she heard her husband speak of but that their names have escaped her memory. She also declares that John Hutchinson whose name is mentioned in the aforesaid certificate must according to her supposition have been a Brother of her said husband, as her husband had a younger brother than himself by the name of John Hutchinson, and that she Declarant has a son by the name of John D. who is named after his uncle John Hutchinson and that she here with files 2 leaves which are the front leaves taken from the old Latin & Greek schoolbooks of her aforesaid husband and his brother John and that said leaves all the front pages of said books and upon which are written the names of her said husband and his Brother John in their own hands, and that there are in her possession various volumes of Latin, Greek and French Books with the names of her said Husband and John Hutchinson written in them now in her possession.

S/ Sarah Hutchison, X her Mark [sic]

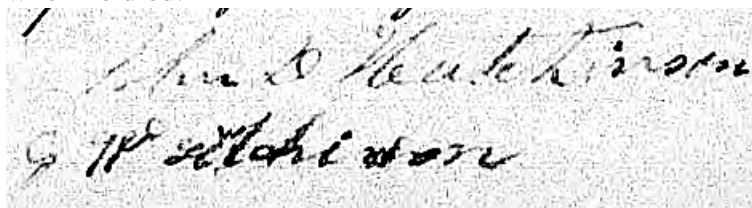
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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 25th day of March 1785, in the name of Peter Hutchison, as a Soldier of Cavalry for £25.16.2, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to John Hutchison and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
28th day of October 1842.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

[p 14: On October 3, 1842 in Woodford County Kentucky, George Washington Hutchinson and John D. Hutchinson filed an application for the pension money due Peter Hutchinson under the 1832 act; they state they are the children of Peter Hutchinson; that they have often heard their father narrates his experiences during the Revolutionary war as a soldier in the Cavalry; that he lived in Loudoun County Virginia when he entered the service and for some time after he left the service; that their father died September 20, 1837 leaving a widow named Sarah and 6 children, James Hutchinson of Franklin County Kentucky, Sarah who married John Cumins but is now a widow living in Woodford County Kentucky, Hugh Hutchinson of Scott County Kentucky, George W Hutchinson and John D Hutchinson of Woodford County, Polly Ann who married Charles Owen's now lives in Franklin County Kentucky; that at the time of the passage of the 1818 act their father was not embraced by that law [probably meaning that their father was not in indigent as required to qualify under the 1818 act]; and that their father was about 98 years old when he died.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John D. Hutchinson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid. The signature is written on a light-colored, textured background, possibly a document page.

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State of Kentucky Woodford County: SS

On this the 25 day of April 1843 Personally appeared before me Oscar Pepper an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Mrs. Sarah Hutchinson a resident of the said County of Woodford and who is by reason of Bodily Infirmary prevented from appearing in the Open Court, aged upwards of seventy-six years and who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision of an act of Congress passed July 7th, 1838 entitled "an act granting half pay and Pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of Peter Hutchinson who was a soldier of the Regular Continental Line of Virginia and belonged to the Cavalry during the Revolutionary War and served 3 years in actual service in the aforesaid Capacity, and Declarant thinks the service was in Colonel Lee's [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee's] Regiment and under General Green [Nathanael Greene] and for a full account of the same and such other facts as our necessary in the investigation of her claim she refers to the papers composing the matter of her application for the amount of pension which was due her said Husband at his death, and which sum was allowed her commencing on the 4th day of March 1831 and terminating on the 20th day of September 1837 by virtue of the act of 7 June 1832, at the rates of \$100 per annum and which sum she received a few days ago & said application was made in October last and her declaration amended in November, the month following. She further declares that her said husband resided in [word written over and blotted out] County Virginia when he entered the service and resided there after the close of the war until he removed to Fayette County Kentucky, and that he continued to reside there and the adjoining Counties until his death which took place the 20th day of September 1837 in the said County of Woodford. She further declares that she has no documentary evidence in support of her claim as the Bible in which her marriage to her said husband was recorded and also the Births of her children, was reposed in the hands of her son John D Hutchinson, who was so unfortunate as to have all of his Books and the aforesaid Bible burned up and also the House in which he resided. She further declares that she was married to the said Peter Hutchinson on the 16th day of February 1789 in the County of Fayette State of Kentucky. That her husband the aforesaid Peter Hutchinson died on the 20th day of September 1837. That she was not married to him in prior to leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 (viz.) at the time above stated.

S/ Sarah Hutchison, X her Mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Dragoon in the Virginia Continental line for 2 years. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]