

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Horton (Hooton)W670 Orender (Orander) fn76SC
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State of Kentucky Sct.

I Thomas Montgomery one of the Judges of the circuit courts of the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that on this the 12th day of October in the year 1818, Thomas Hooten [sic] of the County of Clay in the State aforesaid appeared before me and after being duly sworn stated upon his oath that he is over 66 years old; that he enlisted in the service of the United States in the revolutionary war with Great Britain for the term of two years, which expired on the 22nd day of June in the year 1778, & faithfully served said term, & until the date of his discharge now produced on the 4th day of August in the said year, that he enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Glenn Drayton of the 1st Continental Regiment of South Carolina, commanded by Colonel Charles Cotesworth Pinckney. That one of his arms & hand is so enfeebled as to render labor difficult; that he is in reduced in his circumstances & really needs the provision contemplated in the act of Congress passed in March 1818. I do further certify that Mr. Hooton produced to me a discharge which I have no doubt is genuine; and I certify also that I fully believe all his statements. Given under my hand the day & year first mentioned.

S/ Thomas Montgomery

State of Kentucky Garrard County: Sct

I do hereby authorized George Robertson to collect for made the Pension as for in the within Petition and to do for me everything necessary there to which I could do were I there in proper person. In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 25th of October 1818.

Witness

S/ James H. Letcher

S/ Thos. Horton



Kentucky Madison County Sct.

At a County Court held for Madison County on Monday the 2nd day of October 1820 Thomas Horton came personally into Court and made the following affidavits to wit "On this

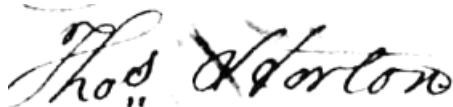
2nd day of October 1820 personally appeared openly in the Madison County Court Thomas Horton aged sixty-nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820. That the said Horton enlisted for the Term of 2 years as a Sergeant Major on the 22nd of June 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by the Glenn Grayton [sic] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Cotesworth Pinckney commander of the first Regiment of South Carolina by the manner of Virginia that the said Horton continued to serve in the said Corps until August 1778 making in full two years when he was discharged from the said Service in Charleston South Carolina. The said Horton as evidence to support said facts has his certificate issued from the War Department No. 6276, and the date of his original Declaration is 12 October 1818.

He solemnly swore that he was a resident of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 and that he has not since that time, given or, in any manner, disposed of his property or any part thereof so as to diminish it as to bring himself 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 the time aforesaid nor has he any debts due to him whereby advantage might accrue there from, neither has he any income than that is hereto affixed

Schedule

one mare and one yearling colt one cow and calf

S Thos. Horton

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thos. Horton". The signature is written in dark ink and is centered below the printed name.

He states that he lives with his wife who is old and infirm, and that he is by occupation a farmer, but owing to his having got his left arm and hand severely injured he is not able to do much that he has for infant children to maintain, that he is in indigent circumstances and is not able to support himself and family without the help of his Country and that his wife who is between fifty and sixty is not able to support him, that his children are not able to support themselves. Sworn to and declared on the 2nd day of October 1820. It is further ordered by the court that it be certified that the said Horton's property is of the value of \$50.

[fn p. 51: on January 4, 1827, the veteran applied in Decatur County, Indiana for the transfer of his pension benefit to the Indiana agency saying he had moved there to be with his children. This affidavit is supported by the testimony of Thomas Hooton Junior who clearly signed his name as follows:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Hooton Jr.". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the left of a closing bracket.

[fn p. 14: on June 3, 1853, in Decatur County Indiana, Orender Horton, 80, made declaration that she is the widow of Thomas Horton who was a revolutionary Pensioner at the rate of \$96 per annum; that her husband died in Decatur County Indiana on or about the 24th day of July 1841; that she married him in Madison County Kentucky; that they were married by one Doctor Clark, a Minister; that she does not remember the month nor day of her marriage but remembers it occurred in the fall or winter of 1802 prior to Christmas day; that she has no written record or other document relating to her marriage; that her name prior to her marriage was Orender Bush; that she remains a widow.]

[fn p. 31: notes (source not stated) reading:

"22nd June 76 entered as a private

25 March 77 – appointed a Corporal –

1st May 77 appointed Sergeant

2nd June 78 Sergeant Major

Discharge 4th August 78

Lee Rolls of South Carolina"

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$105.62 commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant major in the South Carolina Continental line.]