

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Record of George Humphrey¹ W761

Mary Hull²

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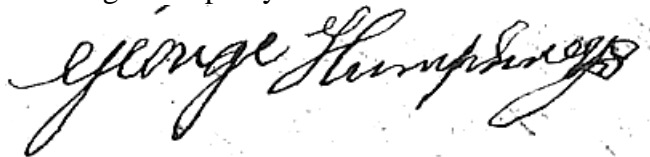
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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress for the relief of certain Surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828, I George Humphries aged Sixty-four years of the County of Gibson in the State of Indiana do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution in the fall of 1781 in a company of Light Dragoons at or near the Town of Williamsburg Virginia for and during the War and continued in its service until its termination at which time I was a private in Captain Hughes [perhaps John Hughes] Company or troop of Light Dragoons in the first Regiment commanded by Colonel White [Anthony Walton White] in the Continental line and previous thereto he served in the eighteen months service in the foot and I also declare that I afterwards was discharged at Richmond Virginia, and received a certificate or some papers the contents of which I do not now clearly recollect, I believe I afterwards sold some of them at a discount and I am of the impression some of those papers then received was the certificate for the money I was entitled to under the resolve of Congress mentioned in the 2 by the late act of Congress in the instructions of the Secretary of the Treasury, but to say certain I cannot. I hereby certify or declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the pension list of the United States.

S/ George Humphreys



[Attested in Gibson County Indiana August 6, 1828]

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Bounty Lands for Revolutionary Services – Individual Application
State of Indiana County of Gibson: SS

I, George Humphries aged Sixty-four years, do upon oath testify and declare that about or in the year 1781 I enlisted or entered the service as a private for the term of "during the war" in the Dragoon Regiment commanded by Colonel White and afterwards served in the aforesaid

¹ BLWt1401-100; BLWt60-60-55

² former widow

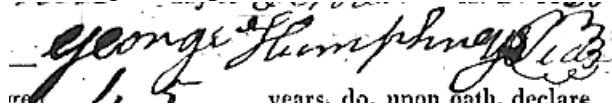
Regiment under the command of Colonel White and that I continued in service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharge from the aforesaid Regiment commanded by Colonel White of the Virginia line, and when I was a private I received a discharge after, or at the close of the War which is lost or mislaid, long since the manner which I lost it I am not able at this time to state.

I further declare, that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States; nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever:

[Note: boilerplate power of attorney language not transcribed]

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this 10th day of October A.D. 1828

S/ George Humphries



years. do. upon oath. declare

[p 17: On June 20, 1853 in Edward County Illinois, Mary Hull, 47 [?]³, made application for a widow's pension under the 1853 act as the widow of George Humphreys, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him February 25, 1838; that he died April 10, 1840; that she married Felix Hull on December 19, 1843 and that Felix Hull her 2nd husband died in 1850. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Facts in file: The veteran married in Clay County Illinois February 25, 1838, Mary Rose; the widow was still living in 1877 when she resided in Farmersviller, Tulare County, California

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 3rd, 1853 for her husband service as a private in the Virginia Continental Cavalry.

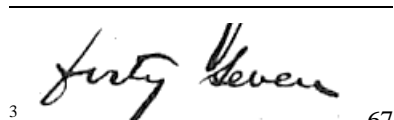
[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

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To His Excellency the Governor of the State of Virginia

The Memorial of George Humphreys [sic] of the state of Illinois and formerly of the State of Indiana humbly represents

That your petitioner was born in Northumberland County State of Virginia in the year 1764 that in the spring of the year 1781 he filled the place of John Tillison (who had been drawn or drafted from the County of Prince William) as a substitute and was mustered by Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] of Prince William County in the service of the State of Virginia, that he was placed under the command of one John Tibbs and was marched by him from the Humphreys to Alexandria on the Potomac and Fredericksburg on the River Rappahannock, that when General Lafayette came through Fredericksburg with his Army the detachment to which your petitioner was attached was ordered and marched in the rear of General Lafayette's Army, still commanded by the said Tibbs and from thence to Bottoms Bridge where your petitioner understood the militia lay and from thence by the way of Westham on



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67? or possibly 57?

James River to Woodson's [?] Ferry then so called where he joined the Army under he thinks the command of General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] – does not know who commanded the Regiment of 18 months men to which he then belonged, but thinks, it was Colonel Gaskins or Colonel Posey [Thomas Posey] – your petitioner served under (if he remembers the name rightly) Captain Woodson and that the [indecipherable word] Woodson [indecipherable word] [the image of this document cuts off at the bottom thereof at this point]
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sick of the same disease and was placed in the hospital at Charlottesville that after his recovery or rather convalescence he was marched to a station near Williamsburg where in the fall of the year 1781 he enlisted during the war in the first Regiment of Virginia Light Dragoons commanded by Colonel White [Anthony Walton White], that your petitioner was a private in the 3rd troop of said Regiment, the said troop commanded by Captain Hewes or Hughes. Your petitioner respectfully represents that he is an aged and infirm man that he never received any pay will bounty whatever for the services he performed as and 18 months man and that for his service as a regular soldier to the end of the War he has received a Pension of which follows a copy and [indecipherable word] for one hundred acres of land. He therefore prays your Excellency to take into consideration this petition and if they Law of his native state can afford any additional relief to a war worn soldier who was one of the [indecipherable word] of the [indecipherable word], he respectfully urges that it may be granted him, his witnesses to the truth of the above are as he believes deceased and that your petitioner &c

George Humphreys