State of Tennessee Hawkins County

On this 2nd day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the Circuit Court held at Rogersville for said County, Thomas Hammon a resident of said County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee aged seventy-three years the 19th of December next, 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 year 1780 with Captain Howard and served as well as he now remembers in the 14th Regiment of the Virginia line, under the following named officers to wit, His Colonel's name was Feebaker [Christian Febiger] or Fabaker, his Captain's name was Howard, and one of his lieutenants was named Hughes, & are all whose names he can now distinctly recollect. He enlisted at Albemarle Court House in the State of Virginia about the 10th or 12th of February in the year 1780 for eighteen months, and that at the time he resided in Albemarle, and from Albemarle Court House, this declarant was marched with his company to the city of Baltimore in Maryland and after remaining there about eight days, he with his company embarked on board of a vessel and sailed to Elk River and were landed at Elk Town in Cecil County, and after remaining in Elk Town, he was marched through Cecil County on to Fluvanna County Virginia at a place called the Frog Ordinary or Tavern, and from thence after remaining some days his company was marched into the State of North Carolina on their route to Charles Town [Charleston], South Carolina but before reaching Hillsboro this declarant's father overtook his company, with a Substitute and then this declarant was discharged by his said Colonel, by this declarant's furnishing a Substitute whose name was John Massey who agreed to enlist for during the war, in place of this deponent, and accordingly about the middle of September in the year 1780 this declarant received an Honorable discharge from his said Colonel Febiger who joined this declarant's Company a few days, before declarant's father overtook him as above stated – which discharge this declarant has since lost so that he cannot now produce it, after having served seven months and some few days under said Captain Howard. This declarant further states that the reason why he left the service was that his health became feeble by reason of the exposure and fatigues of marching, and as soon as his father heard of his situation, he engaged the said John Massey in Fluvanna County to take his sons (declarant's) place, who did accordingly enter Captain Howard's company as a regular soldier for during the war in place of declarant, and that declarant's father paid said Massey four hundred dollars in Continental money, in consideration thereof.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity, except the present and he
declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

S/ Thomas Hammon

[Thomas Martin and Eli Overton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 14: On October 10, 1833 in Hawkins County Tennessee, Thomas Martin and Enoch Ausbern gave testimony that Thomas Hammon died in Hawkins County at the home of Thomas Martin on February 24, 1833 leaving a widow by the name of Scalah Hammon.]

[p 14: On October 10, 1833 in Hawkins County Tennessee, Francis Winsted, a Baptist minister gave testimony that sometime in the year 1819 or 1820 he celebrated the rites of matrimony between Thomas Hammon and Scalahl his wife.]

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This 10th day of October 1833 Personally appeared before me John Mitchell an acting Justice of the peace for said County & State, Scalah Hammond the widow of the said Thomas Hammon deceased and being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that she has been informed & believes that her said husband, now deceased, was born about the 19th day of December in the year 1760 in the County of Culpeper & State of Virginia. She states further that her said husband had no documentary evidence and that there is no person now living & known of by her said husband or herself, whose testimony could have been cured by him in his lifetime, or by her, which could or can testify to his service. She also states that her said husband had no record of his age. That her said husband was well acquainted with the Reverend Francis Winsted, Thomas Martin & Eli Overton residing in the neighborhood and who have testified as to his reputation.

S/ Sealah hammons, X her mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of $23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the Virginia Continental line.]