Pension Application of Hulsey Carter S8151
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

I Hulsey Carter of the County of Buckingham in the state of Virginia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the revolution for and during the War and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Capt Garland Burnley’s Company in the first Virginia Regiment of the Continental line. I also declare that I never received a certificate for the award of eighty dollars to which I was entitled under the Resolve of Congress passed the 15th day of May 1778 and I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1827 on the pension list of the United States.
Witness my hand this 15th day of March 1830.

Witness/ Harding Woodroof [pension application W3485]
Thomas hisXmark Terry [Thomas Terry W6250] Hulsey hisXmark Carter

June 21 1830
I do hear by Certify that Thomas Terry enlisted the 4 day February 1779 for doing the Present War
H. Carter 19 of same month also for doing the Warre and faithfully served and was their time of enlisted and was honourable discharge [signed] John Thomas [pension application S46515]

Floods  Buckingham County Va.  June 24th 1830
Samuel D Ingham Esqr.
Dear Sir,/ My poor old blind neighbour, Hulsey Carter, received yours of the 20th of April last stating that his claim had been examined; that nothing was found in the publick records, at Washington, to show that his enlistment and service were for the War. On the contrary, it appeared that the State of Va., to whose line he belonged, granted him Land as having enlisted and served for three years only how this has happened is to him unaccountable knowing as he does that he enlisted for and during the War and served to its termination which was set forth in his declaration and positively proved by the Oaths of two respectable witnesses Harding Woodroof and Thomas Terry who were qualified before me a Justice of the peace for the County of Buckingham. After the receipt of your last communication in order to strengthen the evidence I wrote to Capt John Thomas with whom they enlisted (afterwards transferred to Capt Burnley’s Compy) to obtain his affidavit to this effect and received the enclosed certificate saying that for the want of a magistrate (convenient) he could not be qualified to it – this certificate is a little indefinite and the spelling bad but the inference is plain – Capt Thomas is remote from me and seldom leaves his home he being a very old man and my extreme debilitated state of health rendered it impracticable for me to visit him. Mr Terry is now at my House in pursuit of information in relation to his claim he states that he forwarded his declaration and certificate to Gen'l. Gordon a member of Congress from Va. but does not know whether or not they have been received at your Office his claim is in every respect the same or similar to that of Mr Carter’s

I am very Respectfully/ Your Obt Serv’t./ George Christian

Buckingham County, Virginia
Before me John Ayres a Justice of the peace for the Count of Buckingham & state of Virginia personally appeared John Thomas & Abraham Jones [pension application S46452] of the said County who did severally make oath that Hulsey Carter is personally know to them to have enlisted (under the above mention’d John Thomas) for & during the war in the first Virginia Regiment of the Continental line and continued in its service until its termination at which time he was a private in s’d. Thos’ company in the reg’ment above mention’d Witness my hand & seal this 24th day of July 1830
Buckingham County Va. Sept 28 1830

Sir    I have received your letter of 14th July in relation to Mr. Hulsey Carter’s claim under an act of Congress and contents duly observed – his having received the smaller bounty in Land, when those that enlisted and served for the War, were entitled to the larger, seems to be the only difficulty to his receiving his reward; it must have been ignorance in Mr. Carter, (for he is a man of child like simplicity) or an error in some of the proceedings, that this occured; that he enlisted for and during the war, and and served to its termination, is very evident, from the affidavit of Capt John Thomas and Abraham Jones, now enclosed and the Oaths of two respectable old Soldiers, (who served with him) to his declaration – I have lately had a communication, with Maj’r. Charles Yancey, of this County, who informed me that he wrote to you, on the subject of Mr Abraham Jones’ claim, (who has since obtained it) to which letter I bef leave to refer you. Mr. Jones’ case and Mr Carter’s are the same, they both enlisted together under the same Captain, and served together during the war

I am sir very respectfully/ Your Obt Servant/ George Christian

Buckingham County to wit

John Thomas of said County personally appeared before me George Christian a Justice of the peace for the aforesaid County and state of Virginia and made Oath that he was a Captain in the continental army of the Revolution that he enlisted Hulsey Carter, Thomas Terry and Abraham Jones for and during the War and that they served to its termination, but before the discharge of Carter and Terry they were transfered to Capt Burnley’s Company on account of his the said Thomas’ company being too large he the said Thomas further states that Harding Woodroof served with him in the same Regiment that he was enlisted by a Capt Allen and was afterwards trasfered to Capt Burnley’s Company and served in said Company to the termination of the War.

Given under my hand this 14th day of Nov’r. eighteen hundred and thiry two

George Christian

State of Virginia, County of Buckingham

On this 5th day of February 1833 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for Buckingham county, Hulsey Carter, aged seventy seven years (at his own house, being blind & unable to go to court) who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benifits of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 – that he enlisted in the army of the U. S. in the year 1779 with Cap. John Thomas in the [blank] Regiment commanded by Col. F. Taylor [Francis Taylor], Lt. Col. Wm Fontaine [William Fontaine], & Major John Roberts, on Continental establishment, & was honorably discharged at the end of the war. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an innuity, except the present, & he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State. Sworn & subscribed to, the day & year above written by

Hulsey hisXmark Carter