

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Hensley VAS1496

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

State of Virginia County of Henry Sc.

Lewis Hensley aged about 73 years being first duly sworn deposeseth and saith that sometime in the spring of 1776 he enlisted in the County of Orange in the State of Virginia for the term of three years under Lieutenant Abraham Uray [?]<sup>1</sup> and served in a Company commanded by Captain John Marx [John Marks], in the 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia Continental line commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis and that he continued to serve faithfully in said Regiment until the expiration of his said term of enlistment; the deponent further says that after having served about one he was appointed a Fife Major which office he continued to hold through the whole of his services. Immediately after the expiration of his three years enlistment, he reenlisted for during the war, and obtained a furlough for three months to go home and see his friends, when his furlough was expired he again joined the Army and General Washington ordered Colonel Richard Parker (who then commanded the Regiment to which this deponent was attached) to proceed immediately with the regulars under his command to Augusta in the State of Georgia, the enemy then drove us back from Savannah to Augusta where we remained for some time, that the Regiment was then ordered to Charleston South Carolina and we were first under the Command of General Lyncon [Benjamin Lincoln] and at the siege of Charleston this deponent was taken prisoner by the enemy & was sent to [the image of this document cuts off at the bottom thereof at this point]

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said services neither has he ever sold transferred or in any manner disposed of his claim to it. The deponent further says that he continued to act as a Fife Major until he was taken prisoner as aforesaid

S/ Lewis Hensley, X his mark

[Attested in Henry County Virginia July 16, 1830]

State of Virginia Henry County Sct.

I James Johnston aged seventy-four years do certify that I was a Soldier of the

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revolutionary Army and served during the war, and that while engaged in said service became acquainted with Lewis Hensley, who was a Fife Major in Captain John Marx Company in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Continental Regiment under the command of Colonel Charles Lewis. I was well acquainted with the said Hensley and do therefore know that he did perform the whole of the services set forth in his declaration; and I further certify that the said Lewis Hensley is the identical man he therein presents himself to be.

Given under my hand this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1830

S/ James Johnston

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James Johnston". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ James Johnston".