

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Hundly S5581

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State of Virginia }
County of Franklin } S.S.

on this 4th day of September [1832] personally appeared in open Court, before Pleasant Dickenson Henry Couper Moses Green Jr and Richard M Taliaferro the Court of Franklin County now siting Joseph Hundly a Resident of Franklin County and State of Virginia who is aged eighty five years on the tenth of March eighteen hundred and thirty two and was born in Gloucester County, Virginia who being first duly Sworn according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That about the year of seventeen hundred and seventy five, or six [sic], as well as he can now recollect That he entered the Services, of the United States, about the first of May in one of the above dates that he enlisted as a Volunteer under the Command of Captain Thomas Bufort [Thomas Buford] of Bedford County Virginia, that he marched from Bedford County to the levels of Greenbrier River; (now Greenbrier County) the place of General Rendezvous of the army; that when they arrivd there General Andrew Lewis took the Command of the army as commander in of said army; That the army under General Lewis, was marched from Greenbrier to the great Kanawha, and down the Kanawha to the ohio River, that the army encamped, between the junction of Kanawha with the ohio River, that the next morning after their arrival there they were attacked by the Indians, about Sun rise, and that the Battle lasted untill Sun Set [Battle of Point Pleasant, 10 Oct 1774], before the indians retreated from us; that the Captain Lieutenant and Ensign [Jonathan Cundiff] under which I enlisted and marched under were all killed in said battle; that I was then put under the command of Captain Pawlin [probably Pauling] from Bedford County Virginia, that after the battle at the point, the army built a stockade, at point pleasant to put the sick and wounded in, and there was men left sufficient to protect the garrison at that place; That from point pleasant the balance of General Lewis army pursued the indians, untill they got near to the indians Town; that they then understood that Governor Dunmore of Virginia was there with the indians and had made peace with the Shawnee indians [Treaty of Camp Charlotte at Pickaway Plains in present Ohio, 19 Oct 1774]; that this was called the Shawnee expedition [now Lord Dunmore's War]; That General Lewis army was discharged near the indians Towns; That from the time he entered the service untill his return home again he believes to be five months and a half during that tower of duty:

That he again enlisted under Captain Christopher Irvin [Christopher Irvine] of Bedford County Virginia about the month of May 1777 [sic: 1776] and marched from Bedford County in the month of June following against the Cherokee indians; that there place of general rendezvous was at the long Islands on holstein River [sic: Holston River at present Kingsport TN]; That Colonel Christey [sic: William Christian] and Colonel Madison were our colonels, but he believes that Col. Christee was our commander in chief of the army at that plaice; That the army marched from the long Islands on holstin River to French Broad River, where they crossed the French Brad River and marched to the Tennessee River, and crossed the Tennessee River and took possession of an indian Town, and remained there untill the indians came in and surrendered to us, from there we marched to another Indian Town and staid there untill they Also surrendered to us, that the army continued to go on from Town to Town untill we met with the north Carolina Troops, when we was informed that the whole of the Cherokee Towns had surrendered and sued for peace; that he was discharged on the Tennessee River; That from the time that he entered the service untill his return home from service he believes to be upward of six months; That he was drafted about the last of April or first of May 1778 and marched from Bedford County Virginia under the command of Captain Robert Adams from the County of Bedford to Chiswell lead mines on new River [in present Wythe County VA], for the purpose of guarding those mines, that when they arrived at the lead mines, Colo Charles Lynch was the Commander in Chief of that army. That from

the time he left home untill his return back from said Tower of duty he thinks was three months and half during that Tower.

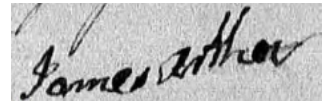
That he again volunteered his services under Captain Nathaniel Tait [sic: Nathaniel Tate] to go to the South from Bedford County Virginia about the last of May or first of June seventeen hundred and eighty. That he was marched from Bedford County under the said Capt. Tait to hills Borough [sic: Hillsborough] in North Carolina, the place of general rendezvous; that General [Horatio] Gates was the commander in Chief at that place, that we remained there some time that we marched from hillsborough under General Gates to Camden in South Carolina and was at the battle at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780], and from the battle he returned back to hillsborough in North Carolina, at which place Captain Tait was taken sick, and returned home again, I was then put under the command of Captain Slaughter a regular officer who belonged to Colo Abraham Buforts [sic: Abraham Buford's] Regiment; that I remained with Captain Slaughter untill about the first of October at which time I was put under the Command of Captain John Graves from Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County Virginia. the army was again marched from hillsborough to Charlott Town [sic: Charlotte] in North Carolina, at which place General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene on 3 Dec 1780], took the Command of the army; from there General Green marched us to the Cheraw hills in South Carolina, at which place we went into winter quarters [Jan 1781]; Some short time afterwards, General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] was sent off from the Cheraw hills to guard the British and Tory prisoners [captured at Cowpens SC on 17 Jan 1780] into Virginia, that I marched from there Also under General Stephens to guard said prisoners, to Pittsylvania old Court House in Virginia, at which place I was discharged on the 14th day of February 1781. That from the time I entered the service untill my return back home was eight month on the Tower of duty That he was drafted from the militia of Bedford County about the last of April or first of May 1781 and marched from Bedford County under the command of Captain Chattin Doggitt [Chatton Doggett] and crossed James River at Carters Ferry [now Cartersville] and marched to Dandridges old field which I think was in Hanover County Virginia; where the Troop met at that place for general rendezvous [16-19 Jun 1781]; That he believes he was attached to Colo. Holcomb [sic: John Holcombe's] Regiment, and General [Robert] Lawson Brigade That General Lafayette was the commander in chief at that place; from Dandridges old field, we pursued the british to botoms bridge [sic: Bottoms Bridge on Chickahominy River about 10 mi E of Richmond, 23 June], where we attacked the british, and pursued them on to old James Town on James River; at which place we again fought the British [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] untill they got on board of there shipping at that place, from there I was marched to New Kent Court house, under General Lawson at which place I was discharged; that from the time I left home untill my return again was about three months and a half on said Tower of duty. That I received discharges for all my Towers of duty but have lost them all not expecting that they would ever be of any service to me after the war was over; That he took the affidavit of Captain Skelton Taylor of Franklin County Virginia about 1828 or 9 who proved that I was in the battle at the point under General Andrew Lewis, against the Shawnee indians; which affidavit I put in the hands of Capt. James Adams of Pittsylvania with the affidavit of [blank] Nichols who served with me in the South, and was with me at Gates defeat for the purpose of obtaining from the Virginia assembly a pention for me which papers I am informed by said Adams was forward to General B. W. S. Cabell of Pittsylvania county, Va, which affidavits I am informed by said Adams is lost or mislaid, and both of the men whose affidavits I had taken is since dead, that all the officers whom I served under in the revolutionary war is I believe is dead or if any are a living I am not acquainted with their place of residence; That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Joseph hisXmark Hundly

The affidavit of [Col.] Mark Anthony who sayeth that he had a conversation with Chirstopher Irvin of Madison County and State of Kentucky in the year eighteen Hundred and four, that while speaking of his Tower to the West against the Cherokee Indians, he distincy understood from said Captain Chriistopher

Irvin, that Joseph Hundly served a tower of duty under his command but does not recollects the date at this time that said Irvin stated he served said Tower, this affiant farther states and says that he understood from said Irvin that he went from the County of Bedford at the time he marched against the Cherokee Indians and that Joseph Hundly went from Bedford County Given under my hand this 30th day of July 1832
[signed] Mark Anthony

The affidavit of James Arther [pension application S6527], who sayeth that some time about the commencement of the Revolutionary War as well as he can now recollects, that he marched from Bedford County under the Command of Captain William Trigg to guard the frontiers of Virginia, that while on his march he fell in with Joseph Hundly marching out against the Indians, under the Command of Cap Thomas Bufort of Bedford, that he believes that the said Hundly served a Tower of duty at that time Given under my hand this 30th day of July 1832



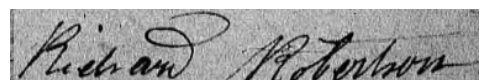
The affidavit of Richard Roberson [sic: Richard Robertson S6022] taken on the sixth day of August Eighteen hundred and thirty Two at Rocky mount and County of Franklin and State of Virginia

This affiant sayeth Joseph Hundly went on a Tower of duty against the Indians after he was married That from the best of his recollection it was about seventeen hundred and seventy seven and that this Tower he understood was against the Cherokee Indians; This affiant thinks that the said Hundly was gone, on that Tower of duty, between five and six months;

This affiant, futher sayeth, that shortly after the said Joseph Hundly, returned from the Cherokee Indians; expedition; he went on a Tower of duty to guard Chiswell Lead mines; on New River, in Virginia; That from the time, that the said Hundly, went out on that Tower, untill his return, back he believes to be about three months;

This affiant further sayeth, That in seventeen hundred and Eighty, that Joseph Hundly went out of Bedford County, to the South in the army, that he the said Hundly was gone several month, before he was called on to go out in the army that he marched from Bedford County under, Lieutenant Irvin; and Ensign [Thomas] Nance; That when he got to Hillsborough North Carolina; he saw Joseph Hundly there, in the army; that shortly after his arrival there, the said Hundly was marched with the army, to the Cheraw hills, in South Carolina, where the army went into winter quarters; that shortly afterwards he was ordered out with others and guarded a parcel of British and Torys; from South Caronina to hills Borough That part of the time General Gates was Commander in Chief the Balance of the terme of Service was under General Green; that from that place he was marched, to pittsylvania old court house in Virgininia; that he there saw Joseph Hundly again in the army that he the said Richard Roberson and the said Joseph Hundly was discharged at pittsylvania old court house on the fourteenth day of February seventeen hundred and eighty one' that from the time, that the said Joseph Hundly, set on, said Tower, untill his returne, home again, he believes to be about Eight month that it was called an Eight month Tower of duty;

This affiant further sayeth that shortly after the return of the said Joseph Hundly, and himself from the Southern army; that they was both drafted in the melitia and went from Bedford County about the last of April, under the Command of Captain Chatten Doggit that the place of General Rendevous was at Dandridges old field in Va, that General Lawson he believes was the commander of the melitia, But that General Lafayett was our commander in Chief; that from Dandridges old field he was marched to old James Town on James River where the British took shipping from there the said Hundly was marched back to New Kent Courthouse where he was discharged that from the time he set out on that Tower untill his returne he believes to be three months and a half and further this affiant saith not



The affidavit of Thomas Hackworth [S31115] of Bedford County and State of Virginia Taken this 29th day of August Eighteen hundred and thirty Two

This affiant sayeth that his Brother George Hackworth went out from Bedford County against the western Indians that he was stationed some time at Muddy Creek fort in Greenbrier County Virginia [Fort Arbuckle at the mouth of Mill Creek N of present Palestine WV], That he has frequently heard his brother George Hackworth say that Joseph Hundly went out against the Indians at the same time that he marched out of Bedford County but does not now recollect the dates of the year – that his Brother served that tower of duty, but think it was about 1775 or six

This affiant further sayeth that he has Also heard his Brother George Hackworth mention having servid a Tower of duty with the said Joseph Hundly at Chiswell Lead mines on New [River] about seventeen hundred and seventy seven and from the best information I have got I have not no hesitation in believing that the said hundly performed those Towers duty and it is the public opinion in his neighbourhood that the said hunly has served several Tower of duty in the Revolutionary war and further this affiant saith not

Thomas hisXmark Hackworth

NOTE: On 2 Sep 1832 Mark Anthony wrote to Nathaniel H. Claiborne, Member of Congress, that Joseph Hundly had lived within a mile of him in Pittsylvania County until two years before, when he moved to Franklin County. Anthony also wrote that “his wife is upwards of 75 years of age and is helpless and almost entirly blind old Mr Hundly is now very poor and has nothing to support his family on, and unless he can get a pension he will have to go on your county for support old Mr. Hundly has always been a very industious man ever since my acquaintance with him when able to work and has always born that character, and had acquired a snug little farm on Stanton [sic: Staunton] River about 20 years ago, but through his friendsiph in being security has been compeled to sell his land and all of his property to pay other peoples debts which is wholly lost to him old Mr. Hundly has been very much afflicted with the rumatick paines for many years. in the winter season, I think I have know him to be from 4 to 6 months frequently at a time unable to go about, or even to cut his victuals himself.”