

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Bartlet (Bartlet) Hawkins (Bartlett H. Fitzgerald)¹ S9562 f26VA
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Know all men by these presents that I Bartlett Hawkins of the County of Nelson & State of Virginia do hereby appoint my trusty friend David S Garland Esquire of Amherst County & said State, my true and lawful attorney to claim from the United States for my benefit, the quantity of land due to a soldier for the war, ratifying & confirming whatever my said attorney may do touching the premises as if I was personally present. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 9th April 1810.

Test.

S/ Daniel McDonald

S/ Bartlet Hawkins



Acknowledge before me S/ James Montgomery

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Application for a New Certificate

Virginia County of Amherst SS

On this 10th day of May 1823; before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Amherst personally appeared Bartlett Hawkins alias Fitz Garrald who, on his oath, declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain Parsons [William Parsons] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Washington in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the state of Virginia, and that he was afterwards transferred to the Government of the United States and was placed on the pension list in 1810 in consequence of Wounds received in Actual service. But has received no Warrant except the one Granted by the State of Virginia.

S/ David S Garland

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(Another accompanying paper filed)

Bartlett Hawkins put on the list with £5

S/ A. Blair

11th Nov.

The foregoing is a Copy of the papers filed in the Council Chamber as the evidence upon which the following Certificate issued

"Bartlett Hawkins is entitled to the proportion of land allowed a private of the Continental line for the

¹ BLWt515-100

war."

"Samuel Coleman"

Council Chamber
September 6, 1796
S/ Robert Brooke"

On this certificate a warrant No. 4705 issued to Bartlett Hawkins for 200 acres the 6th September 1796 – this is all the land bounty he was entitled to.
S/ Wm G. Pendleton

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I do hereby certify that Bartlett Hawkins a Dragoon in the 3rd Regiment of Light Dragoons was discharged the 18th of April 82, & that his wages remain due to him since the first December 1779.
S/ Ambrose Gordon
April 27, 1782 Lt. & Paymaster 3rd R. L. D.

Major Call of the 3rd Regiment Dragoons having certified that the bearer Bartlett Hawkins in the said Regiment is incapable of discharging his duty, from the wounds he has received – he is hereby discharged the Service of the United States. Given under my hand at Camp near Bacons Bridge in South Carolina the 18th April 82.

S/ Nath. Green [Nathanael Greene]

Copy S/ John Pendleton

“Reft. To Doct. Foushee for examination
S/ P. Henry

Find the person within mentioned has ___² of scars, none of which appear to have been very dangerous, or injurious, except one in the abdomen said to be by a Bayonet & that in any extraordinary exertion the bowels force out the Common ligaments to a great size – this may be the case, as there appears a sufficient injury done the parts to admit of this occasional rupture, if – may so call it – this Protrusion being at present am obliged to take the man's word that it actually does happen; if so, & as it is not improbable he must be in some manner deprived of the means of support by hard labor.

S/ W. Foushee

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(And accompanying Paper filed)

Bartlett Hawkins Soldier Cavalry settled his depreciation 26 March 84 £67:10.
S/ Jno. Carter
J. Pendleton Aud. [Auditor] 6 September 96

(Endorsed)

The within Soldier was discharged the 18th April 1782 in Consequence of his disability occasioned by wounds received in the service, and I am persuaded was enlisted for the war.
9th September 1792

S/ James Wood, late BG

² A partial copy of this document posted with the [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#) appears to read "a number"

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State of Virginia, Nelson County: to Wit

On this 10th day of September one thousand eight hundred & thirty three, personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace of the County of Nelson & State of Virginia, Bartlet Hawkins a resident of said County of Nelson & state of Virginia, aged (from the best information he possesses) seventy four years, or thereabout; 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 entered the army of the United States in the Summer of seventeen hundred & seventy seven. he enlisted in Fredericksburg Virginia, under Capt. William Barret [William Barrett] of Baylor's [George Baylor's] Regiment of Cavalry, of the Virginia line, under which Capt. he served from the said summer of 1777, to until 1780, (after the battle of Guilford, March 15, 1781) when Capt. Swan [John Swan] took the command of the Company to which he belonged under whose command he continued until the 1st of May 1782, when he was discharged.

When he enlisted he was a resident of Orange County Virginia of which County & State he is native, after the War he lived some years in Albemarle County Virginia & for twenty odd years past has been a resident of Nelson County Virginia. He the said Bartlett Hawkins after his enlistment in the summer of 1777, as above named continued in Fredericksburg Va, under the command of the said Capt. Barret, until the Spring of 1778, when he with his said company & under the command of his said Capt. Barret marched to the North by way of Alexandria, Baltimore, & Philadelphia, to Hackensack, where he the said Hawkins with his said company Joined the Regiment to which said Company belonged which said Regiment was then Commanded by Colo. George Baylor. He the said Hawkins was attached to his said Company & Regiment when the said Regiment was surprised in the Barn at Taupaun [Tappan New Jersey, 28 September 1778], or Herringtown, by General Gray's Corps of the British Army, and he the said Hawkins, then & there received eighteen stabs with the bayonet, with which wounds he was closely confined for about five months, after which in February or March 1779 he joined the remnant of his Company then at Frederick Town in Maryland, from which place he marched with his Company to Fredericksburg Va, where the effects of his wounds again for a time disabled him. he then & there obtained a furlough to go to his friends in Orange County Va, where he continued until he became able to march, & in the month of October following, marched to the South, & joined his said Company & Regiment at Providence in South Carolina [sic probably a reference to New Providence in North Carolina], this last Junction was in the month of November 1779. The said Regiment was then under the command of Colo. William Washington. He the said Bartlet Hawkins was with his said Company & Regiment at the battle of the Cowpens in January 1780 [January 17, 1781.] he was also with his Regiment during the retreat of General Greens [Nathanael Greene's] retreat through North Carolina into Virginia, when pursued by Cornwallis. He was with his company & Regiment at the battle of Guilford in March 1780 [March 15, 1781] at which time & place Capt. Barret was wounded, & Capt. Swan took command of the Company to which he the said Hawkins belonged. he was at the battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs] in Sept. 1781 [September 8, 1781] and in many skirmishes during the years 1780 & 1781, in one of which about the high hills of Santee, he was wounded in the foot, by a musket shot, which disabled him for a short time, except which disability he was very generally in active service, with his company & Regiment from October seventeen hundred & seventy nine, until the 1st of May seventeen hundred & eighty two, when he was discharged at Camp Bakier's Bridge [sic, probably a reference to Bacon's Bridge], near Dorchester in South Carolina. He constantly belonged to the Army of the United States, from the summer of seventeen hundred & seventy Seven, to the first of May seventeen hundred & eighty two and he was in constant service during that period, except when disabled by his wounds as above mentioned.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or an annuity, except the present (saving & excepting however his invalid pension certificate, the claim to which he thinks he has a legal

right, in addition to this,) and he declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in every State, and that he receives nothing from the Government of the United States, or from any State Government, except the ninety six dollars per annum, allowed him by the Federal Government, in consideration of his wounds received in the army of the united States, during the War of the Revolution, as above mentioned.

S/ Bartlet Hawkins, X his mark

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ William Massie

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Virginia:

At a Court held for Nelson County, at the Courthouse, on the 28th day of October 1833

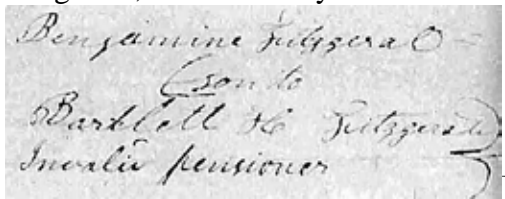
George Height a resident of said County, personally appeared in Court, and being sworn, saith, that he was well acquainted with Bartlett Hawkins, during the Revolutionary War, that he served with him in the same Regiment, and well knows that he entered the service of the United States in the year 1777, and continued in the service until the year 1782, when he was discharged. And the Court doth certify that, the said George Height is a person of good character, and that his testimony is entitled to full credit. And the Court doth further certify that William Massie, whose name is signed to, and before whom the foregoing Declaration was sworn, is and acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified as such.

A Copy from the records of the said Court.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Clerk of the said Court, and affixed the seal of my Office this 8th day of November 1833, and in the 58th year of the Commonwealth.

S/ Sp: Garland

[p 10: In August 1853, one Benjamin Fitzgerald, claiming to the son of Bartlett Hawkins, alias Fitzgerald, claims bounty land as the son of said Bartlett Hawkins, alias Fitzgerald.



Benjamin Fitzgerald
Son to
Bartlett H. Fitzgerald
Invalia pensioner

“I do hereby certify that Bartlett Hawkins a Dragoon in the 3rd Regiment of Light Dragoons was discharged the 18th Apl. '82, & that his wages remain due to him since the 1st Decr. 1779.

April 27, 1782

S/ Ambrose Gordon

Lt. & Pay Master 3rd R. L. D.”

“Major Call of the third Regiment Proved to be having certify that the barrel Bartlett Hawkins, and the said Regiment is it capable of discharging his duty, from wounds he has received – he is hereby discharged the service of the United States. Given under my hand at Camp near Bacons Bridge in South Carolina the 18th of April 82.

S/ Nath. Green

Copy S/ Jno. Pendleton”

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Dragoon in the Virginia Continental cavalry for three years and upwards.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 2-page file under "Bartlett Hawkins" contains copies of a few of the same documents transcribed above along with the original of the following certificate transcribed above:

The within Soldier was Discharged the 18th
April 1782 in consequence of his Disability
Occasioned by wounds Received in the Service
and Conspired was enlisted for the War

8th September 1796

James Wood. Lt. Col.

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