

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Hood: W25781

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The State of Indiana} On this 23^d day of June 1818 before me the subscriber, one of the
Jefferson County} Judges of the Jefferson Count Circuit Court, personally appears
William Hood aged 65 years resident in Jefferson County State of Indiana, who being by me
first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to
obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain
persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war."
That he the said William Hood enlisted sometime previous to the battle of Guilford [Guilford
Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] in the state of North Carolina in the Company commanded by
Captain Brevard of the 4th N. Carolina Regiment in the continental service; that he continued to
serve in said corps, or in the service of the United States for the time of eighteen months or
two years; that he was in the battles of Santee, Ashly River SC [see note below], and that he is in
reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and
that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

District of Indiana} February Term 1821

Jennings County S.S:}

Jennings Circuit Court}

On this 5th day of February Eighteen Hundred and Twenty one Personally appeared in Open
Court (Being a Court of Record of the said District To Wit. the Jennings Circuit Court in the
third Judicial Circuit of the State of Indiana) William Hood aged sixty six years Resident in said
county of Jennings and State of Indiana who being first Duly Sworn according to Law doth on
his oath Declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as Follows that He Listed under Capt.
Alexander Bravard in Colonel Archibald Lytles Regiment [see note below] it being the 4th North
Carolina Regiment and his Original Certificate is dated the 21st day of December 1818 and
numbered 4.994

And Do Solemnly swear that I was a resident of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818
And that I have not by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof
with an intent thereby to diminish it or to Bring myself within the provisions of an act of
Congress Entitled an Act to provide for certain persons Engaged in the Land and naval service
of the United States in the Revolutionary War passed the 18th day of March 1818 And that I
have not nor has any person in Trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due
to me nor have I any Income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed
and by me subscribed I have no Real Estate Personal property I have one little shovel plow
one grind-stone one sow and Eight small shotes one Heifer one felling ax one weeding Hoe.
and one grubing Hoe I have no occupation Except Farming and am not able to pursue that in
consequence of Being much afflicted with the Rheumatism I have Four children Residing with
me Hannibal Eight years old the 19th of this Oct[?], Jesse six years old the 9th of March next
Sally Four years old the 5th May next and Ellenor one year old the 9th Sept. last past Neither of
whom are able to support Themselves Sworn to and Declared on the 5th Day of February 1821

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NOTES:

The battle of Santee in which Hood participated may have been the Battle of Eutaw
Springs SC on 8 Sep 1781, where Capt. Alexander Brevard served. The specific battle at Ashley
River could not be determined.

Archibald Lytle took parole after the capture of Charleston SC on 12 May 1780, and he
did not return to service until 30 Sep 1783.

In the 1820 federal census for Jennings County IN William Hood is enumerated as head
of a household of "Free Colored Persons."

On 12 July 1855 Catharine Hood, about 70 years old, applied for a pension stating that

she was the widow of William Hood who died about 1830. On 10 Apr 1855 she gave her age as 68 when applying for bounty land, and she stated that her name was Catharine Francis when she was married to William Hood in Jefferson County IN by a Rev. Vawter. In the file is a document stating that William Hood and Kitty Depliens[?] were married in Jefferson County IN on 9 Aug 1812 by Jesse Vawter.