

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Jackson VAS1125

vsl 14VA

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

State of Virginia Lancaster County

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Rolley Currell
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[Acknowledged January 6, 1834 in Lancaster County Virginia]

Saturday 5th day of September 1778

Ordered the Commanding Officer of the *Hero* Galley delivered John Jackson a sailor to Captain Taylor to [indecipherable word] on board the Ship *Tartar* – page 465

Tuesday the 15th day of December 1778 Ordered that the keeper of the public Stores delivered to John Owens & John Jackson each four yards of cloth, two shirts, two pairs of stockings and shoes a hat & [indecipherable word] on their paying for the same – page 518
Extracted from the Naval Journal

S/ Jas. E. Heath, Aud[itor]

Auditors Office March 22, 1834

Petition for Bounty Land Heirs of John Jackson – Seaman & Gunner – S. Navy

John Jackson was enrolled as Seaman in the State Navy. He enlisted early in the service = and is mentioned in the Navy Journal page 309, as in service – 4th November 1777 – in September & December 1778 he appears to have been in service. (See Auditors Cost.) I have reported John Jackson in the printed list [indecipherable word or words] entitled to bounty land, for a service of three years as Seaman. I have seen no proof, furnished by documents, that he was gunner.

The affidavits of the witnesses seem to relate to 2 individuals, one of whom was in the land service – the other in the Navy.

Rawley Currell – Thomas Crosley – Robert Parrott and Richard Nickens testify in behalf of the Petitioners Rawley Currell & Richard Nickens say that Jackson served to the end of the war; & was wounded in battle. Currall says – that Jackson was on board the He wrote Galley, in service, in August 1776 –

The above are substantially the facts of this case –

Respectfully submitted

John H Smith, Commissioner &c

May 14th, 1834

His Excellency

Governor Tazewell

To his Excellency the Governor of Virginia

The Petition of the heirs of John Jackson deceased respectfully shows

That their ancestor was a Seaman and Gunner on board the Navy of Virginia during the Revolutionary War – and continued in that service for some time, and while in it, was injured by a wound which contributed finally to his death – [indecipherable word] precisely the said John Jackson was on board the Navy is not precisely shown – but it is shown by the proof that such was his anxiety to serve his country that when he could serve no longer as a gunner he changed his condition and enlisted as a soldier and served to the end of the War. Your petitioners show that their ancestor in his lifetime nor they since his death [indecipherable word] received no remuneration from their Country – they therefore pray that such Bounty Land as the said John Jackson was entitled to under the provisions of the laws of the Land may now be granted your Petitioners his immediate Representatives –

& your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray –

The Petitioners by Counsel

[Affidavit of Thomas Crosley is illegible as posted online]

[Affidavit of Robert Parrott is illegible as posted online]

State of Virginia Lancaster County

This day personally appeared before me Cyrus Dargott [?] a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Lancaster Richard Nickens who testified & made oath that he is upwards of 80 years of age that he lives in the County of Lancaster, and that he was born & raised in Lancaster County – that he enlisted as a Seaman in Lancaster County under Captain Thomas Pollard in August 1776, that he went direct from Lancaster after having enlisted in the service for the defense of the Country in War of the Revolution to Hampton and entered on board of the *Hero* Galley – Captain Philip Chamberlain – that he found on his getting to Hampton John Jackson a Seaman in the Service with whom he got acquainted that the said John Jackson and this affiant was in service at the same time, and on board of the same Galley for more than twelve months until this affiant was put on board of the Ship *Tempest*. John Jackson enlisted at Hampton [several indecipherable words].

S/ Richard Nickens, X his mark