

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Rooney VAS2160  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#). Some of the records in this file refer to Lt. John Roney (BLWt1856-200), a Lieutenant and Adjutant, rather than to John Rooney, who was a Deputy Wagon Master General.]

State of Kentucky Mercer County Sect}

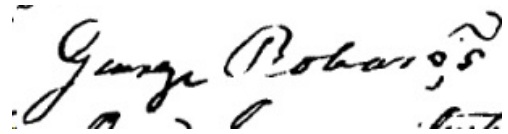
Daniel Barbee [pension application S12951] this day personally appeared before me Elijah A Moore a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid was duly sworn according to Law deposed as follows. That he the said Daniel Barbee was inlisted in Virginia in the year 1775 in Capt. John Greens [John Green BLWt866-500] Company in the first Virginia Regt of the continental establishment Commanded by Col Patrick Henry for one year and served that time and that he reinlisted in the year 1776 in the above named Regt for three years under Capt Richard Taylor [S46514] and early in the same year he was appointed seargeant and continued as such untill the fall of the 1778 when he got an appointment in the quarter masters department in which department he continued untill the termination of the War – and that he was well acquainted with Lieutenant John Roney who was adjutant to the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> Va. Regt. he was also acquainted with another man by the name of John Rooney Deputy Waggon Master general of whom I have before spoken in a former certificate given by me that the last mentioned John Rooney Deputy Waggon Master Gen'l died some few years after the termination of the revolutionary war, that George D Rooney is his only child now living as he is advised [the rest missing from the online file]

State of Kentucky Mercer County Sect }  
December County Court 1822 }

Satisfactory proof was this day made in Court by the oath of Daniel Barbee that George D Rooney is the only child of John Rooney deceased late of the City of New York originally of the State of Virginia. That the said John Rooney was deputy Waggon Master General to General Greens [sic: Nathanael Greene's] Division of the Virginia continental line in the late revolutionary war which is ordered to be certified. In Testi [the rest missing]

State of Kentucky Mercer County Sect}

George Robards [S31339] this day personally appeared before me David Jones a Justice of the peace for the said County and was sworn and stated as follows, that he the said George Robards was enlisted in Virginia in the year 1777 in Capt Moses Hawkins Company in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regt on Continental line Commanded by Col. Charles Lewis and that he continued to serve untill June, then appointed Quarter Master Sergeant and served in the above mentioned Reg't. until the year 1778. Then acted as Clerk to the mentioned Reg't. untill the year 1778. Then acted as Clerk to the commissary of Wedens [sic: Gen. George Weedon's] Brigade and served as clerk untill the year 1780. And that I became acquainted with John Rooney some time early in the year 1777 at which time the said John Rooney acted as deputy Waggon Master General to General Greens division in the Virginia or Continental line and the said Rooney continued as deputy Waggon Master General. In the fall of the year 1779 I was ordered Southward and believes that he the said Rooney has never received his land warrant for said servises [11 Sep 1823]



George Robards

State of Kentucky Garrard County Sct}

This day Abraham Buford [S46372] personally came before me Moses V Grant one of the acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid and made affidavit as follows he saith that [several illegible words] John Rooney and often saw him [two illegible words] and believes he was in the Waggon Masters department on the continental line in the years 1777 and 1778. And this affiant further states that the facts as stated in the above Certificate of George Robards are he believes substantially true.

A Buford – late a Col  
in the 11<sup>th</sup> Virginia Reg't. on continental establishment  
[11 Sep 1823]

Handwritten signature of Abraham Buford in cursive, with the text "Abraham Buford" and "Col. in Regt." written below it.

State of Kentucky }

Mercer County Sct } Daniel Barbee this day personally appeared before me David Jones a Justice of the peace for said County, and was sworn and stated as follows that he the said Dan'l Barbee was inlisted in Virginia in the year 1775 in Capt John Greens company in the first Virginia Reg't. on the continental establishment commanded by col Patrick Henry for one year and served out and that he reinlisted in the year 1776 in the above named Reg't for three years under Captain Richard Taylor and early in the same year he was appointed a seargeant and continued as such untill the fall of the year 1778 he got an appointment in the quarter masters department, in which department he continued untill the termination of the War And that he was acquainted with John Rooney Deputy Waggon Master General to Greens division on the continental establishment in the spring of the year 1777 and that he said John Rooney was appointed commissary of issues and continued to act in that department untill some time in the year 1780. And this affiant further states that the facts as stated in the Certificates of George Robards and Col Abraham Buford are he believes substantially true and believes he the said John Rooney has never received his Land warrant for said ser[vice]

Handwritten signature of Daniel Barbee in cursive.

Sworn and subscribed to before me David Jones a Justice of the peace for the s'd county and I do Certify that the said Dan'l Barbee is a credible witness on Oath Given under my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1823

State of Kentucky Barren county Sct

Lipscomb Norvell [S5835] this day personally appeared before me Sam'l Murrel a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid and was sworn and stated as follows, that he, the said Lipscomb Norvell entered into the service of the United States as a Cadet in Captain William Mosby's company of the 5<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment in the spring 1777 – that he served the latter part of that year & beginning of the year 1778 as first Clerk of Peter Stansbergen[?] a Commissary of Division – that he was early in the year 1778 appointed Paymaster to the afores'd 5<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regim't in which office he continued till he obtained a Commission with the rank of 2nd lieutenant to do the duty of an Ensign (bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1779 in the 3<sup>d</sup> Virginia Regiment, the Regiments being reduced so that the 5<sup>th</sup> became a part of said 3<sup>d</sup> Virg'a Regiment.

That John Roney who was Adjutant of said 5<sup>th</sup> Va. Regim't at the same time received a Commission of same tenor & date in the afores'd 3<sup>d</sup> Va. regiment. That previous to s'd Roneys being appointed Adjutant he believes he was a serjeant in some of the Virg'a Regiments. That he was intimately acquainted with the said John Roney whilst serving in the afores'd Regiments: but has no recollection of any other John Roney, or John Rooney either in the Army or elsewhere.

[20 Mar 1824]

Handwritten signature of Lipscomb Norvell in cursive.

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in the Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 31st day of July 1783, in the name of John Roney as Lieut of Infantry for £400.0.4, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782. To Wit – As Adj't [Adjutant] from 25 Jan'y to 8 Sept'r 78 And as Lieut from 9 Sept 78 to 31 Dec'r 1781.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 24th day of January 1834.  
Jas E Heath AUDITOR.

NOTE: The file contains part of a letter by George D. Rooney of Danville KY dated 4 Nov 1824 regarding his petition for bounty land for his father's service.