

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Croxton VAS3211
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this 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 22nd day of March 1782, in the name of John Croxton as a Soldier of Infantry for £22.5.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Carter Croxton [S9250] and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 16th day of June 1835.
Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

The affidavit of Carter Croxton, of the County of Essex and State of Virginia aged Seventy three years. This affiant being duly sworn according to law, states upon oath that he is now Seventy three years old; and that he was well acquainted with John Croxton, who was a private in the revolutionary war. that the said Croxton Enlisted for three years some time in the year 1777 under Capt William Spiller [VAS2171], of King William, in the Virginia State line, in which service he remained, two years, and was then turned over to the United states service, and remained in the said service the balance of his time; that the said Croxton was in Gates's defeat; the battle of Bluford, and at Guilford Court House, and at the seige of York [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780; Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781; probably defeat of Col. Abraham Buford at Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780; Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. that the said Croxton belonged to Marshalls [Thomas Marshall VAS494] artillery for the two first years of his service, and after he was turned over to the Continental Service, he belonged to a company commanded by Capt. [undeciphered] Roane [Christopher Roane X635] in the regiment of artillery commanded by Col. Porterfield [Charles Porterfield BLWt1145-450], – and further this affiant saith not.

Sworn and subscribed this 18th day of March 1834 before me
H. W. Latané



The affidavit of Geo Gardner [George Gardner S2228] a revolutionary pensioner of the county of Middlesex, being first sworn according to Law deposeth and sayeth, That he was well acquainted with John Croxton of the county of Essex, and He knows that he the said Croxton was a revolutionary soldier He the said Croxton enlisted about the year 1780 under capt Spiller, for the war, and did serve to the close of the war & further this deponant sayeth not. Geo hisXmark Gardner
[March 1834]

Petition for Bounty land.

John Croxton. Sold'r C. L.

There are two John Croxtons whose names appear on the army Register of the Va. C. line – one of them receiv'd a certificate for £22.5 as soldier of Art'y. The other [VAS3210] receiv'd a certificate for £24. as soldier of Infantry. The bal. of their full pay.

Carter Croxton Senr., a respectable witness says he was well acquainted with John Croxton – that in the year 1777, he enlisted in Capt Spillers Company belonging to Colo. Marshalls Regt of art'y for three years. that after having served about two years in the said Regiment, he the said John Croxton was turned over to a Company commanded by Capt Christopher Roane, in the Cont'l service, and served out the term of his enlistment, in that company, & in the Regt Commanded by Colo. Porterfield.

Resply submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c
To his Excellency/ Gov'r. Tazewell May 27th 1834

The affidavit of Bartlett Brizendine [R1225] a revolutionary soldier, he being first sworn according to Law, days that he was well acquainted with John Croxton. that the said Croxton enlisted and served a regular tour and then reenlisted for and served during the war I served in the army in the latter part of the war with the said Croxton eighteen months the term of my enlistment, I further say that the said Croxton was a brave soldier given from under my hand this [blank] day of May 1835.

Bartlett hisXmark Brizendine

The affidavit of Carter Croxton aged 74 years being first duly sworn according to law says upon his Oath that he was well acquainted with John Croxton and that the said Croxton was a regular soldier of the revolutionary war that he enlisted under Capt. William Spiller of King William County in the State artillery in the year 1780 for the war and did serve until the end of the war, he served with me in the same company and was a fathful soldier and further this deponant sayeth not.

[Essex County, 10 July 1835]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carter Croxton". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted.

NOTE: The file also contains a petition signed by the heirs of John Croxton as follows: [undeciphered first name] Bray, [undeciphered] H. Bray, Chas. Bray, [undeciphered] Bray, Peter J. Danielson, Catharine [undeciphered]. The signature of Richard Croxton appears on an associated document that is mostly illegible.