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Virginia documents pertaining to John McKenny VAS3978
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#). The application below is for a federal pension under the act of 1818, but it apparently was never filed, because that act did not apply to soldiers in state service.]

State of Virginia, County Court of Westmoreland

On the 22^d day of March in the year 1819 Came before the said Court being A Court of record (personally Appeared in Open Court as he had done before on the 27th day of April 1818 agreeably to his declaration and Oath made on the 16th April 1818 as will appear by the Clerk's Certificate of that date under the seal of the County as also the Certificate &c of William Stork fell[?] Judge Or presiding magistrate of said County dated 22^d of June 1818 all of which may be more fully seen by reference to said declaration, Oath, evidence &c herewith filed.) John McKenny Aged about sixty years, resident in the said County, who being formerly and now again swon according to Law doth on his Oath make the following statement and 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 Services of the united states in the Revolutionary War.

That he the said John McKenny enlisted under Capt John Mazerett [R16059] in the year 1778 about August in the Virginia Line on Continental establishment in a Company of Artillery for three years. And was stationed in in Fort Henry at Hampton Virginia where he Continued for better than eighteen months. He was with the said Company removed to Williamsburg in said state, and was placed under the Command of Capt Christopher Rowan [sic: Christopher Roane X635] at which time [15 Apr 1780] Capt Mazzerre was promoted to a Majors Command. his Company was here attached to the Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colo. Edmonds [Elias Edmonds VAS2004] with whome he marched to the southward, and was stationed at a place called Harrissburg [sic: more likely Hillsborough] in North Carolina after Continuing there for some time he left the army under furlough from Maj'r Mazerett and returned home to Westmoreland County some time [the rest missing from bottom of page]

State of Virginia Westmoreland County

The Joint deposition of Aleck Saunders [Alleck Saunders VAS2453] & Joseph Sutton [VAS50] taken this 9th day of August 1819 before me Samuel Templeman one of the Justices of the peace, and Judge or presiding magistrate of the County Court of Westmoreland (being first Session)

Aleck Saunders deposeseth and saith that John McKenny was a soldier in the revolutionary war, that he this deponant and the said McKenny enlisted under Capt John Mazzerett of the Artillery for three years and that they were stationed together in a fort at Hampton. after Continuing there upwards of two years they were marched to Williamsburg at which place they were put into a Company Commanded by Capt Christopher Rowan where the Regiment was consoldated commanded by he thinks by a Colo. Elias Edmonds and Maj'r Mazarett and joined the Regiment Colo. Porterfield [Charles Porterfield BLWt1145-450] (of Infantry) and marched to the southward. Colo. Peter Kemp [VAS2172] was also attached to the Troops that they marched to the south and that the said John McKinney did march with the said Troops as far as Harrissburg in the state of North Carolina and that he knows that the said McKeney served over two years.

Joseph Sutton deposeseth and saith that he belonged to the same Company of artillery with Alleck Saunders and John McKenny and what the said Alleck Saunders hath sworn to above is true of his own knowledge.

Taken and sworn to before me Samuel Templeman

[illegible] because he was not in Cont'l line as the act of 1818 only embraced Cont'l troops – The s'd McKenny being now dead his heirs pray an allowance of land for his services 3 yr State line.