

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Spaulding VAS4600
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

The Memorial of the Heirs and legal representatives of John Spaulding Decd, late a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment, during the war of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That they have no personal knowledge of the services of their late Father the said John Spaulding in the Revolutionary war; and therefore have to depend entirely on the evidence of surviving soldiers who served with him, and the Public Records.

The said John Spaulding enlisted under Capt John Morton [VAS765] in Prince Edward in the spring of 1776, and the company first marched to Portsmouth where they were stationed untill the fall of that year. They were then ordered to the Head Quarters of the Northern Army under General Washington, and attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col. Lawson [Robert Lawson VAS850] and Gen'l. Stevens [Edward Stevens VAS1922]. The said John Spaulding was engaged in several severe battles, during his stay in the Army, in all of which he acquitted himself with credit. He continued in the Continental Army three years successively, and was honorably discharged from service. All of which will appear from the annexed certificates of respectable persons with him in the service, upon whose statement the utmost confidence may be placed. Your Memorialist farther state, that his name appears on Army Register of the Continental line, and has not drawn his Land Bounty, according to Report of John H. Smith esq, late Commissioner of Revolutionary Claims.

Your Memorialist, therefore, respectfully pray that as the Heirs and legal representatives, they be allowed the quantity of Land to which the said John Spaulding in his life time was entitled for three years services rendered in the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment, pursuant to the laws of Virginia in such case made and provided. And as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c &c

Francis Spaulding	John Spaulding	Jos. Hines & Judith his wife
Saml Ellett & wife	John Gaulding & Ann his wife	John W. Boatwright & wife

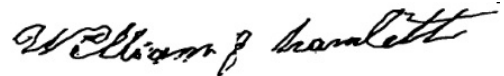
[8 April 1837]

Virginia. Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby Certify that John Spaulding was a soldier under Captain John Morton, attached to 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stevens. The said John Spaulding was in the Continental service for a long time, but the exact length of time, I cannot call to recollection. I am positively certain, he was in the army for more than three years successively, and was honorably discharged. He was a good soldier, and served his country faithfully. I am in the 78th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

[4 July 1836]

William P. hamlett [S13305]



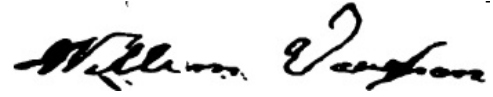
Virginia. Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify that John Spaulding was a soldier in the Continental line during the Revolutionary war. He enlisted under Capt John Morton in the spring of 1776; the company marched about the 1st March, 1776, to Portsmouth in Virginia, where they [undeciphered word] untill late in the fall of that year, and afterwards ordered to the North. The company was attached to the 4th Virginia Rignement, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stevens. The said Spaulding, according to my best recollection, continued in the continental service untill about the latter part of, 1779, when he was honorably

discharged, and returned home. He was in the service, altogether, more than three years. I am in the 88th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and well acquainted with John Spaulding during the time he was in service.

[1 Aug 1836]

William Vaughan [S14754]

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William Vaughan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "W".