

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Wofter VAS5059  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) in two files assumed to pertain to the same soldier.]

[first file]

These are to Certify that John Wofter formerly a soldier in the 16<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment has Duly and faithfully Served the term of three years for which he was Inlisted in Consequence of which, and at his own Request is hereby Discharged from any further Service in the Army of the united States, and permitted to Return home free & unmolested, he having Receiv'd all his Bounty pay & Cloathing & Defitiencys of pay & Cloathing, in full of all allowances & provitions made by the Congress for the troops his Receipt for which is on the back hereof

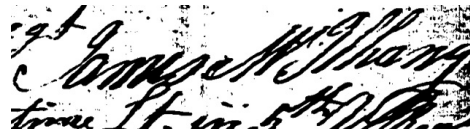
given under my hand, at Philadelphia  
this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1780

Copy J. Pendleton Jr

Christian Febiger [VAS675] Colo. Com'dt  
2 V;r. B

I Do here by Certify that the within named John Wofter was a Citizen of the State of Virginia at the time of his Inlistment which was in Capt'n Frank Willis's [Francis Willis] Company Colonel Graysons [William Grayson BLWt1366-500] Regt

James McIlhany [R6734, VAS610]  
at that time Lt. in 5<sup>th</sup> V Reg't.  
[undeciphered] 17 1783



[second file]

I Sarah Wofter, Widow and Relict of John Wofter Deceased do for value Rec'd. transfer all my title and Interest to the Bounty Land which may be due my late Husband John Wofter for Services rendered in the Virginia line of Troops, to Johnson F Newlon [see endnote], and do authorize a warrant to Issue in his Johnson F Newtons name for the same, and I further authorize the proper Officer to Issue and deliver the same, and do forever Quit Claim to the same to the use of s'd. Newlon Witness my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> Nov'r 1832

Sarah herXmark Wofter

Teste/ Rt Lowther [Robert H. Lowther; see endnote]

We the undersigned Children and heirs of John Wofter deceased late a soldier in the Virginia line on continental establishment, to wit Jonathan Wofter, George Wofter, [undeciphered] Nutt and Ruth his wife late Ruth Wofter, and John S Brown and Massie his wife late Massie Wofter, which said Jonathan, George, Ruth and Massie are the sole heirs of John Wofter above named and who was a soldier regularly enlisted in the said Virginia line to serve during the war, and actually did so serve, on the continental establishment. By reason whereof we the undersigned or his heirs are now entitled to the bounty land due to the said John for his said revolutionary services in said troops. Now we the undersigned for value received do hereby transfer and assign to Johnson F. Newlon all our respective rights and titles in and to said bounty land, and do hereby authorise a warrant to issue in said Johnson F Newlons name for the same, and we do authorise the proper officer to issue and deliver the same, de do forever quit claim to same as well for such right as we now have as such or we may hereafter have. Witness our hands and seals this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832.

witness Rt. Lowther

Jonathan hisXmark Wofter  
Rhodom hisXmark Nutt  
John S Brown

George Wofter  
Ruth herXmark Nutt  
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Lewis County to wit

This day James Brown [S6718; see endnote] a resident of Lewis County aforesaid personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said county and made oath that he was a soldier in the state of Virginia. That he was a long time well acquainted with John Wofter who was a soldier in the Virginia line on continental establishment in the revolutionary war. That affiant at all times understood from said Wofter as well during the war as since That he enlisted to serve during the war and affiant knows that he did serve the whole term he lived a near neighbor to said Wofter for many years afterwards till Wofter died between the year of 1818 and eighteen hundred twenty – leaving Jonathan Wofter George Wofter Ruth Nutt wife of Rhodam Nutt and Massie Brown wife [part missing at bottom of page] and heirs at law. That they are the same persons above signed. That he affiant is now upwards of 76 years of age and an applicant for a pension under the law of the U. States of the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832. signed by said affiant & sworn to this 24<sup>th</sup> Novr. 1832. James hisXmark Brown

test/ J B Smith

Given under my hand this day and year above.

Michael Stump J.P.

I do hereby Certify that I have been acquainted with James Brown now a citizen of Lewis County Virginia for about twelve years and I have no hesitation in saying that he is worthy of credit under oath given under my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Dec'r. 1832

Thos. Bland [Thomas Bland; see endnote]

I concur with the above statement.

W. P. Goff

I do hereby authorize and appoint my friend Thomas Bland as my attorney in fact to receive and recpt. for the warrant which will Issue in my name from the proper Officer, and to deal and every act, in the premises, that I could or would do was I personally present, and I do hereby promise and oblige my self my heirs &c. to ratify and confirm whatsoever my s'd attorney shall do as fully as though I was personally present, and had done the same Witness my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> November 1832

Test/ J. Wamsley [see endnote]

John F. Newlon

Advised that this claim be rejected, there being but one witness & no evidence of his credibility

Dec'r 8 1832/ Bounty Land is allowed the heirs of John Wolfers for during the. [sic] [Gov.] John Floyd

NOTE: Johnson F. Newlon, Robert H. Lowther, James Brown, Thomas Bland and Jonathan Wamsley were all implicated in filing fraudulent pension applications. See my appendix to the pension application of David W. Sleeth S6111.