

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Rodgers BLWt2075-100

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I Duke Fauntleroy of the County of Lancaster & State of Virginia do hereby certify that John Rodgers of the County & state aforesaid enlisted into the Service of the Revolutionary War in the month of February 1776 under a certain Captain Burgess Ball for 2 years, which time he served, & then again reenlisted for & during the war which time he served. The said John belonged as I have always understood to the Virginia Continental line but in what Regiment he belonged to, I do not know. The said John died many years ago in the County aforesaid & left children. Given under my hand this 16th day of September 1834

S/ Duke Fauntleroy, X his mark

Virginia Lancaster County SCt.

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid Duke Fauntleroy who states that he is ninety-five years old & made oath that the foregoing affidavit contains the truth. And I do moreover certify that the said Fauntleroy is a credible & respectable person. Given under my hand this 16th of September 1834.

S/ Thomas S Dunaway

State of Virginia County of Lancaster

We John Rodgers and Nathaniel C Rodgers heirs at law of John Rodgers do, upon oath, certify & declare, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that John Rodgers did enter the service in 1776 or 1777 for the term of during the war, and served as a private in the Regiment No. ___ Under the command of Colonel ___ of the Continental line, and that he continued in service aforesaid until the close of the war. We further declare, that we have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to said John Rodgers on the part of the United States, nor do we believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever; therefore,

Know all men by these presents that we John Rodgers & Nathaniel C Rodgers aforesaid, do hereby constitute & appoint Joseph A. Carter to be our true and lawful attorney, for us & in our names to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States, a warrant for the quantity of land due to us as aforesaid; and our said attorney is hereby fully authorized & empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purposes above expressed.

In presence of
John Rodgers
Nathaniel C Rodgers

State of Virginia

At a court held for Lancaster County, 19th May 1834 satisfactory evidence was adduced in court, to prove that John Rodgers, Nathaniel C Rodgers, Robert Daniel and Hannah his wife who was Hannah Rodgers and Julia Anne Connolly and Mary Connolly children of Nancy Connolly who was Nancy Rodgers are the only heirs at law of John Rodgers a Soldier of the Revolutionary War.

I Benjamin M. Walker Clerk of the County Court, do certify, that the above evidence is taken from the records in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my official seal, this 9th day of June 1834.

S/ Benj. M. Walker

Virginia Lancaster County Sct.

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid John Kemm & made oath in due form that John Rodgers of the County & state aforesaid who died many years ago left five children – to wit – John, Thomas, Edward, Hannah & Mary. Of the five – Thomas – Edward & Mary died without issue. Hannah married Robert Daniel & is living. John died leaving three children viz. John & John C. who are now living – Nancy who married William Connolly & died leaving two children who are now living the is Julia Ann & Mary Connolly.

Given under my hand this 28th day of October 1834.

S/ G. W. Downman

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Addendum to John Rodgers BLWt2075-100

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To Littletown [sic: Littleton] Waller Tazewell Esqr. Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

The memorial of Hannah Daniel, John & Nathaniel C. Rodgers, Julia Ann & Mary Connolly very respectfully represent that John Rodgers of the County of Lancaster & State of Virginia died leaving four children Viz – Hannah, John, Thomas, & Mary. Thomas & Mary died intestate without issue. Hannah is still living & John died leaving three Children viz – John, Nathaniel C. & Nancy. And Nancy married Williamson Connelly & died leaving two Children, towit, Julia Ann & Mary. Your memorialist further represent, that from the best information they can obtain & from the evidence of a living witness filed in the bounty land office in the City of Washington, (a copy of which they have requested to be furnished your excellency) that John Rodgers of the County & State aforesaid enlisted in the regular Service at an early period of the Revolutionary war & belonged to the Va. Continental line & served till the Close of the war; & that the sd. John is reported as entitled to bounty land in a list presented to the Senate of the United States Jany 1828 & that they have recently obtained a Warrant from the U. States for one hundred acres. They are informed the sd. John is entitled to two or three hundred acres more from Virginia & believing he never re[ceive]d the same, they humbly request that it be allowed them & as in duty bound they will ever pray &c.

John Rodgers Nathal C Rodgers Hanah Daniel

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[certified in Lancaster County 29 Nov 1834]

Department of War/ Bounty Land Office/ Nov'r 22^d 1834

I certify that Land Warrant No 2075 for 100 Acres issued at this Office on the 5th ins't to Hannah Lanier (Daughter), John, & Nathaniel C. Rodgers, grand children, Julia Ann Connolly, & Mary Connolly, great grand children, and the only heirs at law of John Rodgers, dec'd who was a private of Infantry in the Virginia Continental line.

Wm Gordon First Clk

Upon the Petition of the heirs of John Rogers a Sold'r of the Continental line, for bounty land. There are three John Rogers' whose names appear on the Army Register. Two of them have receiv'd bounty land – one rec'd 100 – the other, 200 acres of land. The third receiv'd a certificate for £75 the bal. of his full pay, as a soldier of Infantry, January 11, 1786; and has not receiv'd bounty land. These facts appear from the Army Register of the Continental line, and from the military Land warrant Books.

The only evidence which has been fil'd by the Petitioners is a Certificate of Wm. Gordon 1st Clerk of the Bounty land office – Department of War – that land warrant no. 2075 for 100 acres of land issued to the heirs of John Rogers dec'd, who was a private of Infantry in the Virginia Continental line – which warrant issued november 5th 1834, for a service to the end of the war and under an enlistment for the war.

There is proof that the Petitioners made application for copies of papers fil'd in the [part missing at bottom of page] were unable to obtain [part missing at bottom of page]

They seem to me sufficient, to authorize the allowance of bounty land to the heirs of John Rogers.

Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c

To his Excellency Governor Tazewell December 23rd 1834