

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John Stotes (Stott): R20174

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the several acts for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the army of the revolution and more particularly that which was approved on the 15th day of May 1828, I John Stotes, late of the County of Surry in the state of North Carolina, but now a resident of the County of Pike in the State of Kentucky, being about 80 years of age, infirm and almost helpless and in indigent circumstances, worth in all not more than 50 Dollars - do hereby declare that I enlisted in the continental line of the revolution for 2 years in the Company of Capt James Hawkins, the Leutenants name was Neamiah [last name illegible] in the Regiment commanded by Col Stewart. I served out this time and obtained my discharge. I further declare that on my return from the army I volunteered for 6 months in the company of Capt. Freeman this was also in the continental establishment. Col John Armstrong was the commanding officer during this term of service. I was at the battle called Gates' defeat [Battle of Camden SC where Gen. Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780] and at the engagement at a place called the hanging rock [Hanging Rock SC, either 30 Jul or 6 Aug 1780]. also at the battle at the Utaw Springs [Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781]. I served out this time. I again voleteered in the same company and under the same officers, and continued in the continental service to the conclusion of the war It was during this time that I followed the British into Virginia on there march to York Town. I received a discharge from Col Armstrong Exempting me in future from all military service which I lost with the rest of my discharges 10 or 12 years ago. I further declare that I received no remuneration for my services in the Army of the Revolution but some Continental paper (as it was called) which proved of no value to me, and I further declare If my memory serves me right that I received a certificate for the reward of Eighty dollars to which I was entitled to under a resolve of Congress passed 15th May 1778. - I further declare that I was not on the pension list of the United States on the 15th Day of March 1829. given under my hand & seal this 24th Day of Oct 1829. John hisXmark Stotes

[Response to a Treasury Department request for verification, dated 9 Dec 1829:]

The name of John Stotes cannot be found among those of the North Carolina line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Collars were issued. [signed] Peterr Hagman Aud[itor]

War Dept. Bounty Land Office Dec'r 18th 1829

The name of John Stotes does not appear on the Records of the North Carolina line on file in this Office among those entitled to Bounty Land or to whom a Land Warrant ever issued.

Wm. Gordon