

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Foster John

VA
(Sydney)

R3696

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[p2]

State of South Carolina

Spartanburg District

This the 23rd day of July 1846 personally appeared before me Reuben Bowdon judge of the Court of Ordanary [sic] the same court being a court of records now open and held Sydney Foster a resident of said Dist. Who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832. That she is the widow and one of the heirs at law of the said John Foster who was a sergeant of Light Infantry of the Virginia Line in the war of the Revolution and as such served the United States against the common enemy. I now ask for the pension that was due my husband from the time the act gave him one until his death. She further states that the length of serving and the time he went in serving she is not able to give from passage of time and loss of memory. She further declares that she was married on the 3rd day of January 1794 to _____ said John Foster and that her husband the aforesaid John Foster died on eleventh day of May eighteen hundred and thirty seven and that she has remained a widow every [sic] since the death of her husband the aforesaid John Foster. She further declares that she knows of no other record of the marriage except the one hereunto appended which she is satisfied is the old original family record of her self and John Foster's children and that it is in hand writing of Andrew Hamblen and that it has been written many years ago.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written.

Sydney Foster x her mark

R Bowden Judge of the Court of Ordinary

[p3] county certification

Reuben Bowden, J.S.D.

J B Tolleson, clerk

[p5-6 contains another copy of the widow's deposition of 23Jul1846 with minor technical revisions.]

[p8 Power of attorney to pursue any unpaid benefits to the heirs of John Foster 12Mar1857]

[p17] Auditor's office, Richmond, 12May1846, certificate that John Foster was paid £81.1.3 on 20Jun1783 for service as sergeant of *infantry* in the Virginia line.

[p1] Auditor's office, Richmond, 12May1846, certificate that John Foster was paid £94.17.9 on 19Nov1783 for service as sergeant of *cavalry* in the Virginia line.

[Pension office response to inquiry indicates that the widow's pension was denied for lack of proof that John Foster of Spartanburg District was the same person who was one of the sergeants paid in Virginia and no corroborating proof.]

[p24] 20Dec1845 Spartanburg District declaration of James Seay that he served with John Foster of Amelia County Virginia in the Revolutionary War.
<http://revwarapps.org/s9477.pdf>

Addendum to John Foster R3696

By C. Leon Harris. 20 Feb 2014.

[The file includes part of an original family record transcribed as follows:]

Rebecca Foster Daughter of John and Sydney Foster was born the year of our Lord 1794 and 18th of October

Mary Foster daughter of John and Sydney was born in the year of our Lord 1796 and 23rd Decemb

Enoch George Foster son of John & Sydney Foster was born Anno Dom 1799 and the 24th of March

Mahaly Foster Daughter of John & Sydney Foster was born Anno Dom. 1801 and 28th [second digit unclear] of April

Thirzy Foster Daughter of John & Sydney Foster was born Anno Dom 1803 and the 1st day of July

Moriah Foster Daughter of John and Sydney Foster was born Ann Domini 1805 and 28th of December

John Foster son of John & Sydney Foster was born Anno Domine 1808 and the 20th of December

Maiden [or Maiden] Foster Daughter of John and Sydney Foster was born in the year of our Lord 1811 and the 19th day of June