

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Frazer R3766

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State of Georgia County of Columbia

On this the Seventh day of December 1855, personally came before me Stephen Drane a Judge of the Inferior Court for & in said County of Columbia & State of Georgia, Richard W. Jones Administrator of the estate of John Frazer late of said County & State deceased, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832, for the heirs of said deceased And he declares upon oath, that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, that, the said John Frazer was a Lieut. in the Georgia or Continental line, from 1777 to 1782, and, he was then discharged from mental derangement, hence, he has not been able to obtain any definite account of his Revolutionary operations, as the family are not capacitated to inform one, and, the said John Frazer did not have mental capacity sufficient to do so, prior to his death. And he further declares if the said John Frazer or his heirs ever applied for the Pension due him, none of his heirs are cognizant of it, and he hereby desires it for the purpose of giving it for the their proper sustenance, the family being needy.

And he hereby declares, that, the said John Frazer died as near as he can find out (as the peculiar condition of affairs kept them from keeping a record) on the 10th day of April 1841, as will more fully appear by the affidavit hereto affixed. And he hereby relinquishes all claim in his legal capacity to any Pension or Annuity in the name of the said John Frazer, late the identical John Frazer, who was a Lieut. in the Georgia or Continental line, except the present & if his name is on the Pension of the agency of any State, he is not apprised of it. Sworn to and subscribed, the day & year above written.

S/ R. W. Jones, Admin.

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This is to Certify that Mr. John Frazer served as a Lieut. in the line of this State from January 1777 till the 1st July 1782, when he was deranged.<sup>1</sup>

Savannah, 18th January 1789

S/ John Habersham

Major late Georgia line

[The above is a copy of the original certificate given by Habersham.]

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<sup>1</sup> In my experience, the term 'deranged' in this context and at this time simply meant 'decommissioned' or dismissed from the service at the end of the war. It did not mean that he officer was mentally demented.

[This case was adjudged by the War Department to be a fraud as the John Frazer who died on April 10, 1841 in Columbia County, Ga. was too young to have served in the Revolution.]