

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hathaway R4745

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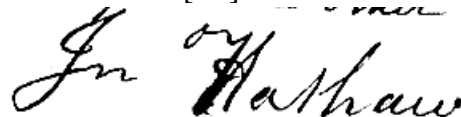
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State of Kentucky County of Bracken: St.

On this 17th day of December 1832 personally appeared in Open Court, before the Justices of the County of Bracken now sitting John Hathaway a resident of said County of Bracken aged sixty-nine years 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.

That in the month of August 1781 – he lived in Fauquier County State of Virginia and was drafted a militia man under Colonel Elias Edmonds [Elias Edmonds] commanded the Regiment, Major Welsh [probably Nathaniel Welch] was the Major & Stephens [Edward Stevens] was the Brigadier all under the command of Major General Nelson [Thomas Nelson], the company Officers were Captain James Winn, Lieutenant John Bradford & Ensign Barbe [sic, Barber or Barbour or Barbee?] we reached Williamsburg sometime in September from thence marched to Little York, where I was at the surrender of Cornwallis in October 1781 [October 19, 1781] – before the Surrender Captain Winn left the company which was afterwards commanded by Captain Lynn Sharpe. About the first of November 1781 we were marched back to Fauquier Courthouse where we were discharged, by Colonel Edmonds. He has not preserved the discharge not thinking that he would derive any benefit from it, or it may be filed in the Office at Richmond he does not remember. He took a certificate of his service for the before mentioned service, which he sent to the Office and received a warrant for 2000 acres of land No. 19085 which was located and surveyed in the then County of Mason 26 September 1797 – State of Kentucky. This considered was satisfactory evidence to the State Officers that he had performed the service. His neighbor William Owens with whom he has ever since been acquainted was with him in the same company during the same service, but if his evidence is not sufficient he can procure other testimony.

S/ Jn Hathaw [sic]



And on the same day before the same Court personally appeared the above mentioned William Owens who being first duly sworn deposed that he is 69 years of age that in August 1781 he resided in Fauquier County Virginia, was drafted at the same time mentioned by John Hathaway under the same officers in the same Company, with him performed similar service & was discharged at York Town after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis being sick [?], that he was

well acquainted with Hathaway, at the time and has been ever since, and that therefore he can say the facts detailed by said Hathaway in his declaration are true and that Hathaway did upon that occasion serve as a drafted Virginia Militia man during the Revolutionary War 3 months.

S/ William Owens¹

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Owens". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "W".

[Note: The three months service claimed by the applicant would not have been sufficient to meet the requirements to be eligible for a pension under the 1832 act. That act required a minimum of six months active service during the Revolutionary War in order to be entitled to a pension from the federal government.]

¹ [William Owens S16500](#)