

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Johnson R5635

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State of Illinois, Hambleton [Hamilton] County: SS

On this 27th day of November, 1834, personage appeared in open court before William Allen, a member of the County Commission in and of in and the county and state aforesaid John Johnson, a resident of the county and state aforesaid, aged Seventy-one years, who being just 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as hear in stated-in the year 1781 or 1782 he was drafted for six months but from his advanced age and the consequent loss of Memory, declares he does not remember his captain's name but recollects he was commanded by Col. William Washington for the first three months and that he was at Rugeley's Mill [Rugeley's mill, December 4, 1780]¹ at the time the British surrendered and after serving three months under Washington, he was then transferred to the Brigade of and under the command of Genl. Marion [Francis Marion], and that he was employed in ranging and scouting after the British and Tories in the State of South Carolina until he fully completed another three months tour of duty; he hereby relinquishes every claim what was to a pension or annuity except to the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn to me subscribed to this day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Johnson, X his mark

We William Henson & Isaac Johnson residing in the County of Hamilton, State of Illinois hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John Johnson who has subscribed and Sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be Seventy one years of age and that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion. Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Henson, X his mark

S/ Isaac Johnson, X his mark

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Where and what year were you born? Answer: 1763.

Have you any record of your age? Answer: No.

¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rugeley_mills_2.html

Where were you living when you came into the service? Answer: North Carolina, Bladen County.

How were you called into service? Answer: I was drafted.

Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War[?] [Answer] From North Carolina I moved to the State of Tennessee, from there to the State of Kentucky, from there to the State of Illinois, Hambleton [Hamilton], where I now live.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand &c.

S/ John Johnson, X his mark

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State of Illinois, County of Gallatin

Before me the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for the said County personally appeared Isaac Johnson and made oath that John Johnson who he stated was an applicant for a pension to the General Government did actually serve as a militia man in the revolutionary war as stated in his petition for and during the term of six months, the said Isaac further states that he has some forty years since seen the said John Johnson's discharge for said service, but which is lost as he is informed and believes, and further this deponent saith not.

S/ Isaac Johnson, C his mark

[attested by Moses Thompson, JP]

[The file contains a power of attorney dated May 23, 1854, from Jacob Braden of Hamilton County, Ill., appointing Charles C. Tucker of Washington City his attorney to prosecute the claim of John Johnson under the 1818 act or any other act. There is no indication in the file what relationship, if any, Braden had to Johnson.]

[Facts in the file: Veteran died July 9, 1853; in a filing dated 1847, there is a reference to children of John Johnson but none are named and there is no reference to his having a wife.]