

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John (John L.) Scott R9309

Mary

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State of Virginia: Muhlenberg County to wit:

On this 26 day of June 1840 personally appeared before me a justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Mary Scott, a resident of said County and State, aged 76 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision may by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows –"

That she is the widow of John Scott, late of the said County and State who was a private in the Militia and Continental service of Virginia in the War of the Revolution – She declares, that she does not pretend to know anything personally respecting the services of her late husband in the Revolutionary War – She has often in his lifetime, heard him speak of his Revolutionary Services, and the many dangers and difficulties he underwent whilst in the service of his Country – She has also heard the same from others, and believes the statement of the whole substantially true and correct – That from bodily infirmity, old age and the consequent loss of memory, she cannot call to recollection at this time the particulars of her husband's services as detailed by him – and therefore prefers to rely on the statement of those who served with him, whose certificates accompany this Declaration. That for the same reason above stated she cannot state with precision the exact length of time he was in actual service altogether, but would suppose he served at least two years, for which length of time, she claims a pension – In support of her claim she refers to the Army Records of the period and accompanying certificates of old soldiers, all of which are prayed to be considered as part –

She further declares that she was married to the said John Scott on the 21st day of September 1788, that her husband the aforesaid John Scott, died on the 18th of May 1802; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the 1st day of January 1794: to wit at the time above stated.

S/ Mary Scott X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid this 26 day of June 1840

S/ Edw'd Dodson, JP

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State of Virginia: Lunenburg County to wit: I Robert Mitchell<sup>1</sup> do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with John Scott in the War of the Revolution, and recollect most distinctly that he and myself in the latter part of 1776, enlisted under Captain Garland for the term of 3 years in the

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<sup>1</sup> [Robert Mitchell W3441](#)

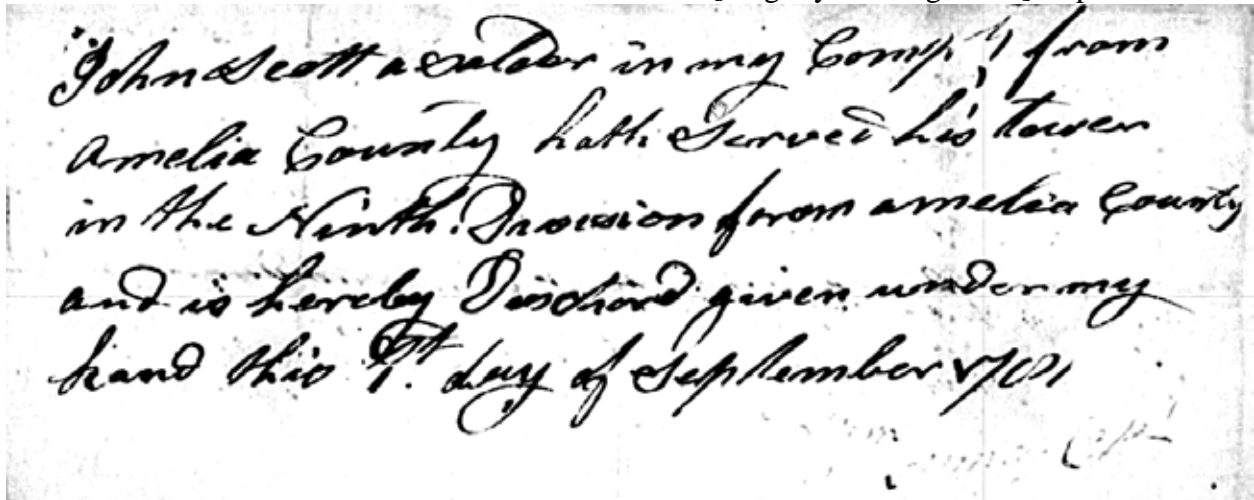
Virginia Continental line, and was attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis. He served the said term faithfully, and was honorably discharged from service. He was generally called John L Scott, but his proper name is John Scott, and was so-called in the Army. His widow Mary Scott resides in Mecklenburg County. I am in the 85th year of my age, and a Pensioner of the United States

S/ Robert Mitchell, X his mark

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John Scott a soldier in my Compy from Amelia County hath served his tower [tour] in the 9th Division from Amelia County and is hereby discharged given under my hand this 1st day of September 1781

S/ [illegibly faint signature] Capt.



John Scott a soldier in my Compy from Amelia County hath served his tower in the Ninth Division from Amelia County and is hereby Discharged given under my hand this 1st day of September 1781

[f p. 9: power of attorney executed by Mary A Scott and John L. Scott on October 6, 1852 in which they state they are the children and heirs at law of John and Mary Scott.]

[f p. 2: Marriage bond issued to John Lawson Scott and Richard Foster September 21, 1788 conditioned upon the marriage of John L Scott to Mary Winslow; issued in Amelia County Virginia.]