

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Swope (Swoope) R98

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Va. Sea Service

Swope, John
Swoope

R98
Va. Half Pay

See N. A. Acc. No. 837-Virginia State Navy
John Swope YS File
Va. Half Pay

[f p. 3: undated note reads: "Evidence showing that John Swope was Surgeon of the *Dragon*¹ in October 1779."]

1779 Octr. 7 A Return of Sugar & Coffee to be drawn for the officers on board the *Dragon*

[Names of Officers]	Ranks	Coffee	B Sugar	[illegible]
James Markham	Capt.	4	12	6
Joshua Singleton	Lieut.	4	12	
Lieut. Fields [Theophilus Field]		4	12	
John Swope	Doctr	4	12	
John Moor [John Moore]	Mastm[master ?]	4	12	
Edwin Eskridge	Mids [midshipman]	2	10	--
Frans Webb [Francis Webb]	@	2	10	--
Joshua McWilliams	@	2	10	--

S/ Joshua Singleton
S/ Jas. Barron

Received 7 October 1779 of William Armistead the above forty-eight pounds Coff. & Two hundred pounds sugar for which I am to acct. & pay for

S/ Thomas Mitchell

Audr [Auditor's] Office Richmond, VA.

13 February 1853: I hereby certify the foregoing to be true extracts from a paper to be found in the 1st volume of "Papers concerning the State Navy" filed in this office—

S/ Ro. Johnston [Robert Johnston]

Audr of Pub Accts [Auditor of Public Accounts]

¹ Ken Kellow has a profile of the *Dragon* posted on his site at <http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/VA/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20%5BCallender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel%5D.html> [viewed 5/31/12]

Pension Office
January 27, 1846

I certify that I have examined the claim of the administrator of John Swoope, deceased, who claims a half-pay under the Act of July 5, 1832; and I find that said Swoope was a Surgeon in the Virginia State Navy, and served till November 1781, when the Navy was reduced. The claim should therefore be allowed, at the rate of \$182.50 per annum, from November 30, 1781 to January one, 1793, in which year Swoope died. The amount is payable to Frederick Vincent, Esquire administrator of said Swoope.

Commissioner of Pensions

Approved
Secretary of Or