

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Reid S10254

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State of Virginia County of Fairfax: SS

On this 17 day of August 1835 personally appeared in open Court before the court of Fairfax County now sitting John Reid a resident of Fairfax County and State of Virginia aged 73 years who being first duly sworn – according to law – due on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832 –

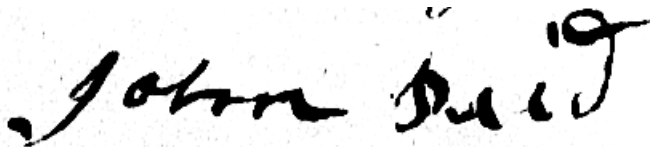
That he entered the service of the United States under Captain William Mason in August 1780 – that he served in \_\_ Regiment \_\_ Line under the following named officers – he is Generals Green [Nathanael Greene] and Stevens [Edward Stevens] – William Mason Captain, William Darrell Lieutenant, James Nesbit Ensign – that he left the service on the 5 March 1781 – That he was in no engagement. That he was a volunteer that he passed through Virginia North and South Carolina and was at Guilford Court House – that he was until his time was out marched home by James Nesbit – That upon his return to Richmond – he entered the service at Colchester in the County of Fairfax – And State of Virginia under Captain Francis Coffee – and served until November 1781 – That he was at no engagement –

That he was in the service of his country more than six months – and that he resided in the County of Fairfax and State of Virginia when he entered the service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid –

S/ John Reid



[James Sangster and Daniel Kincheloe gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Virginia Fairfax County to wit

Personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid John Davis and made oath that John Reid enlisted in a company commanded by William Mason of Fairfax County in August 1780 – that he marched to South Carolina on the banks of the Pedee River where he joined the Army under the command of General Stevens then the said Reid served a tour of duty more than 6 months.

Given under my hand and seal this 19 November 1833 [sic]

S/ George Gunnell

[Attested August 17, 1835]

Fairfax County SS March Court 1834

This day personally appeared in open Court William H Monroe a Citizen of the County of Fairfax and made oath that he entered the service in the war of the Revolution in the year 1780 with John Reid now of the County of Fairfax, that they served as Volunteers, in the company commanded by Captain William Mason, and that the said John Reid served more than six months in said service – which is ordered to be certified –

A Copy

Teste: Thomas Moss, Clerk

State of Virginia County of Fairfax: SS

I do hereby certify That I entered the service of the United States as a Volunteer under Captain William Mason in August (the latter part I believe) 1780 – in Fairfax County Virginia – marched through Virginia North and South Carolina to the Pedee [River] and according to the best of my recollection I volunteered and served a tour of six months in said company and not two tours of three months each – and that I left the service on the 5 March 1781 – and that in this September following I was drafted to serve a three months tour in a company commanded by Captain Francis Coffee – and that the said company was disbanded in the last of October or beginning of November 1781, to the best of my recollection and belief.

Witness my hand and seal this 26 day of March 1836.

S/ John Reed

Interrogatories and answers omitted to be filed in the body of the declaration of John Reid –

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. In Fairfax County. I was born in 1762

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have no record of my age.

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I was living in Fairfax County when I entered the service and have been living in said County ever since.

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I entered the service as a volunteer and served as such

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer I served under Generals Green and Stevens – with Captain William Mason – I marched to the Pedee River – and was at Guilford Courthouse

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. I do not think I ever did receive a discharge, if so, I do not recollect what has become of the certificate –

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. James Sangster, William Simpson, Lawrence Butler, Edward Ford, John Jackson

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]