

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Marick S11371

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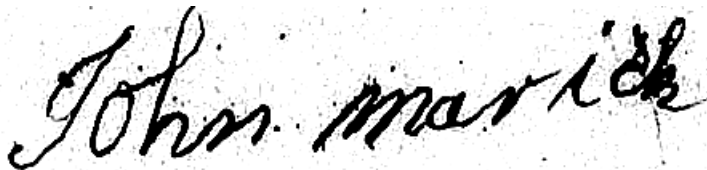
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State of Alabama Dale County: Personally appeared before the Judge of the County Court of Dale John Merrick [sci] of the State and County aforesaid after being duly sworn saith that he is seventy-four years of age and served in the revolutionary war as a Soldier and doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th day 1832 and saith on oath that he entered the service under the command of Captain Gregory served for the term of 6 months at Thomas Nutters Fort near the West fork of the MongaHaley [Monongahela] River then I entered the service under the command of Captain Scott and served 6 months at Coons Fort on the frontier of Virginia, and I hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to any pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed this the 17 day of November 1832

S/ John Marick

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The State of Alabama Dale County: On this 23rd day of November personally appeared John Marick of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-five 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 provision made by the acts of Congress, passed June 7th 1832, That he volunteered in the Army of the United States in the year not recollected, under the command of Captain Joseph Gregory (this deponent in order that a satisfactory examination of his claim may be had wishes to state where he was born and so forth and make a full statement of the whole matter as he cannot state otherwise so as to be understood relative to his Services). I was born in the sugar lands of Maryland in the year 1758 to the best of my knowledge. Bound to Joseph Locker 7 miles below big Monockosy [Monocacy River a tributary of the Potomac] at Capt. Luckets ferry Bound in Frederick Town in Frederick County. Left Locker to join a volunteer company but the man who I was bound to came and took me saying I was too young but previous to that I was old enough to be allowed a vote at Hunkerfords [Hungerford?] at Montgomery County at the first election held at that place. I lived Mont. Coty a volunteer with Captain Joseph Gregory & went to Nutters Fort in the Frontiers of Virginia on the West fork of Monongahaly [Monongahela] River under him I served as a volunteer for the term of six months during which time there was an

attack made on a private family by the Indians within a mile of the Fort. Captain Gregory with a few of us ran to their relief which save them, from being killed. There was one man killed by the name of Coleman; There was a family left the Fort to go to their private place of abode and the man being from home the Indians took his wife & two children. We went in pursuit of the Indians but did not come up with them until they had killed the woman and one child then squandered so that we could never make any charge upon them we returned to the Fort here stops my time as a volunteer under Captain Gregory, Gregory being elected Captain of militia & Nathaniel Davidson Lieutenant as well as I can recollect, then I became as militia under the said Captain Gregory during which time there was a Block House attacked by Indians I was ordered under the Captain, to march to the relief on the 4th of March date not recollected, the block House was called weavers Block House nine whites killed and three made prisoners Weaver being killed the two others wounded, the dead was buried and we marched back for the [paper damaged, text missing] as the Indians were gone, this ends my service with Captain Gregory. One Mr. ___ Lewis his given name not recollected was head commander and Zachariah Morgan commanded as Colonel after Lewis. Captain Read then being elevated as Captain of the Virginia militia I served under him and was wholly engaged as one of the scouting party and carrying expresses in the cause why I was in no Battles, I resided in Maryland Frederick County when I volunteered. I was also under the command of Captain Scott. I was engaged in the service of the United States about 7 years, and left the service at the close of the war date not recollected. I know of no one that I could prove my services by all have deceased or moved beyond my knowledge. –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State

S/ John Marick

Q. 1st Where and in what year were you born?

A. 1. In the sugar lands of Maryland in the year 1759.

Q. 2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A. 2. There was a Record of my age in Frederick County and the Town of Frederick in Maryland but I am not in possession of it.

Q. 3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A. I was living in Maryland Frederick County, when I volunteered in the service, I have lived since the revolutionary war in the State of South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama and I'm now live in the County of Dale in the State of Alabama.

Q. 4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

A. 4. I volunteered

Q. 5th 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.

A. 5. I am wholly unable to answer the question by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory.

Q. 6th 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.

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S/ John Marick

[Samuel Newman, a clergyman, and Isaac Ledbetter gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Personally appeared before me the undersigned Judge of the County court of Dale County Alabama John Merick [sic] who being duly sworn depose and saith that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service; but, according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. I served as a volunteer for 7 years under the command of Captain Gregory and Captain Scott during which time I was employed in carrying expresses and as a scout, and I never have received any compensation for my service and for such service I claim a pension. This deponent further saith that he knows of no one by whom he can prove his services all have deceased or moved beyond his knowledge.

S/ John Marick

State of Alabama Dale County: on this 21 day of January 1839 personally appeared before me William Harper Judge of the County Court of Dale County John Marick Senior in open Court and being duly sworn as to services done by him to the United States in the Revolutionary War and in order to obtain a pension according to the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th day 1832: Doth on his oath make the following Declaration: to wit: that he is of the age eighty-one on the 14th day of February 1839 and that he entered the service of the United States in the month of August 1774 under the following named officers Captain Gregory and Colonel Lewis on the frontiers in the State of Virginia and served under the above named officers three months at Nutters Fort and Coons Fort on the West fork of the Monongahela these forts were for the protection of the Citizens against the depredations of the Shawnee Indians: the Claimant further states that during the above named service that he was not engaged particularly in any Battles our Lieutenant Nathaniel Davison was killed by the Indians during said term three months the Indians took one woman and two children prisoners near said Fort and made off with them the woman being pregnant could not hold out to travel they put her and one child to death I was one of the Company who pursued the Indians and found the murdered woman and child. The Claimant further states that he was a resident Citizen of the State of Maryland Frederick County now Montgomery when he volunteered into the above named service: The Claimant further states to the best of his recollection that it in the date of 1775 he volunteered under the command of Captain Reed and served under him 3 months, the month in which I commenced the last named service he does not recollect: But while I was under Captain Reed the Indians attacked the house of a Mr. Cottrel and killed a man by the [name of] Coleman I was one of the Company who pursued the murderous Indians from their the above named forts to a River called Middle Island near the State of Ohegho [Ohio] and on our return to the Fort our pilot got lost in we was 4 days = without any provision: The Claimant further states that he resided in the state of Virginia at the time he volunteered under Captain Read and was stationed at the above named forts: The Claimant further states to the best of his recollection that in the date of 1776 and perhaps in the latter part of the summer of the above date I volunteered under command of Captain Scott and I served under Scott 3 months and we was stationed opposite Coons Fort on the West fork of the Monongahela where I continued during the 3 months tour: The Claimant further states that he volunteered into the service of the United States the 2nd time under the command of Captain Gregory the date not recollected and served this 2nd time under Gregory 3 months in the State of Virginia sometimes at Nutters, Coons, Lowthers and Buckhannon Forts

about this time Colonel Crafford [William Crawford]¹ was defeated and put to death by the Indians and our company was called on with others to go against the Indians to avenge the death of Colonel Crafford and we was prohibited by the Command of General Washington and the Claimant further states he was a citizen and resided in the State of Virginia when he volunteered into the above named service except the first all of which services I claim a pension.

I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and I hereby declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any Agency of any state only on that of the agency of the State of Alabama., This being an amendment to a declaration which is on file in the pension office agreeable to a letter dated March 24 day 1837

The applicant further states that there is no living witness within his knowledge whereby he can prove the above named services. The following is in answer to the proposed interrogatories

1. I was born in the State of Maryland Frederick County now Montgomery in the year 1758
2. I have no written record: but I record my age from what I was told by one Joseph Locker to whom I was bound
3. In the State of Maryland Montgomery County and I have lived since the revolution in the State of Virginia, Mecklenburg County from thence I lived in the State of Georgia, Wilkes County then Washington in the State of Georgia from thence to the State of South Carolina, Barnwell District from thence back to the State of Georgia Jones County from thence to the State of Alabama Dale County where I now live.

4th. I volunteered every instant

5th. Colonel Lewis Colonel Mcdole, Major Lowther, Colonel Zachariah Morgan, this last name puts me in mind of Devis Bell Morgan killing to Indians and skin them and tarred their heads

6th. I never received no discharge that I recollect of

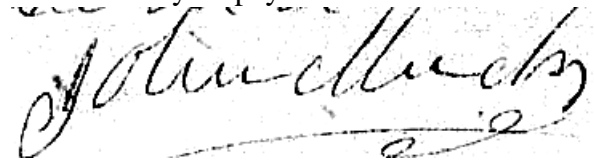
7th. I will here state to you the names of Curtis Byrd, Thomas Anderson, Moses Mathews and David Carol.

Sworn to and subscribed this 21 day of January 1839

S/ John Marick

[Benjamin Hildreth and Samuel Newman, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 14: On May 10, 1845 in Dale County Alabama, John Marick filed an affidavit stating that he and his sister Harriet Mintz [?] are the only surviving children of John Mirick and as such are entitled to 5 year pay for his service.



[the above document was not attested until December 13, 1850 – the reason for the delay is not explained.]

[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.]

¹ William Crawford led an ill-fated troop against the Delaware Indians in the summer of 1782. He was captured, tortured and killed by the Indians.