



and especially of Jacob Luntz which are hereto annexed. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Joshua hisXmark Foltz sen'r.

\*Your petitioner cannot state whether the regiment in which he served belonged to the Continental or State line, but there were three regiments one commanded by Col. Buford Col. Parker [probably Josiah Parker] a Col. Hays or Heath – the whole commanded by Gen'l. Scott.

Woodstock Va. May 15 1833

Dr. Sir [Lewis Cass, Secretary of War] Having undertaken for Mr Foltz the management of this application for a pension, you are particularly requested to examine the rolls of the State troops of Virginia for Mr. Foltz's name either written, Foltz, Voltz, or Fultz. The papers refered to in his declaration are of very great importance in this matter as there is satisfactory evidence of his discharges. There may be some inaccuracy respecting the officers names, as Mr. Foltz is a german it is with great difficulty he can enable me so to understand him, as to have the names of persons as well as places correct. The Regiment to which his company belonged were all cut to pieces at Waxhas [sic: Battle of Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780] under Col. Buford. If there should be need of further evidence please direct a letter to me in Woodstock Va. and all that can be obtained shall be transmitted without delay

yours respectfully/ Sam'l. C Williams

NOTE: The German name Voltz sounds like Foltz in English. Foltz's declaration appears to be an amendment of a previous declaration not found in the file.

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Foltz Joshua

VA  
(Voltz, Fultz)

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[p2] Virginia certificate 16697  
Joshua Foltz of Shenandoah County  
Private under Captain Waits, Col Buford  
In Va line for 21 months  
Issued 16Sep1834 @ \$70/annum

[p4] State of Virginia  
Shenandoah County

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1833 personally appeared before the County Court of Shenandoah in the State of Virginia, Joshua Foltz alias Voltz alias Fultz Sen<sup>r</sup> a resident of the County and state aforesaid aged seventy three years the twenty fifth day of January last past. Who being first 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. Says that he was born in the county of Culpeper in the state of Virginia on the twenty fifth day of January 1760 & that he was raised having removed in the county of Shenandoah. That he enlisted in the army of the United States on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February in 1779 with Captain George Wales and served in the                    regiment of the                    under the following named officers. Captain George Wales with whom he enlisted, Lieutenant Pearson, who at Blacksburg superseded Capt Wales he being promoted, Major Ridgeley, Col. Abraham Buford, General Scott. That he enlisted in the county of Shenandoah and marched from Woodstock to Winchester from there to Alexandria. From there to Fredericksburg, from there to Williamsburg, and from there to Petersburg where upon the solicitation of several officers but especially of General Scott and Col Buford, who as an inducement promised me a pair of shoes, I being then barefooted I was prevailed upon to become a wagoner for the army. I was never permitted to cross the Carolina line but was engaged in hauling with the team for that part of the army which then resided in Virginia. It may be essential to state that I was a soldier when requested to drive the wagon. Your petitioner was discharged by General Mecklenburg at the Bowling Green in Virginia on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1780. That afterwards in the year 1781 I was drafted in the militia and served three months tour at the Winchester barracks in Virginia under Capt. Limerall to guard the prisoners then there. Having promised them for I have answered explicitly the first interrogatory proposed by the war department and in answer to the second state that my age is recorded in a record book once owned my father but now in my possession. For answer to so much of the third interrogatory which has not been answered above, saith that he was living in Shenandoah County when he enlisted and also when he was drafted in the militia and that he now and always has lived in the said county of Shenandoah, state of Virginia.

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The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> interogatories are definitely answered above. The answer to the sixth, states that he received a discharge as above which was lost or mislaid and in answer to the seventh was lost. That Walter Newman, Jacob Lantz, Abraham Rucker, and Christian Miller Jun<sup>r</sup> can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his revolutionary services.

In answer to the objections returned with the former declaration your petitioner would make the following explanations and answers. In answer to the 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> your petitioner states that there is no clergyman residing near him or in his neighborhood whose certificate he could obtain relative to his services viz- therefore this accounting for the apparent omission. The 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> objections may be briefly answered as follows. You are referred to certain papers filed now in the clerk's office of the House of Representatives by which as by the evidence in them a law was passed and approved by Congress granting certain relief and allowing to your petitioner 10 months pay as a wagoner in said revolutionary war. By reference to said law and purpose such evidence will be brought as in our opinion will be sufficient in this application for a pension. See chapter 64 section 1<sup>st</sup> second session of twentieth congress. Your petitioner would not be understood as meaning that he served only ten months for which by the law above assure to he received arrearages of pay but that he served from the time of his enlistment until his discharge as set forth above. Your petitioner cannot produce evidence of service by a living witness but you are referred to the affidavits of Christian Miller and especially of Jacob Lantz which are hereto annexed. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the

Day and year aforesaid  
[routine neighbor supporting statements  
Jacob Lantz  
Christian Miller]

Joshua Foltz x his mark

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May 13<sup>th</sup> 183  
County Court

Jacob Lantz being first duly sworn deposeseth and says that he was and still is well acquainted with the said Joshua Foltz and that we were raised in the same neighbourhood. That he knows that the said Foltz did enlist as a soldier in the revolution for the period of eighteen months and that he did leave home and that I saw him a few days after he returned home and believe that he was out and gone at least eighteen months but that he knows not in what capacity said Foltz served.

Sworn to and subscribed the  
Day and year aforesaid  
[routine county supporting statements and certification  
Christian Miller, neighbor  
Philip Williams, clerk]

s/ Jacob Lantz

[the file contains power of attorney and correspondence in pursuit of the Joshua Foltz pension.]