

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Harlow S13309

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State of Kentucky Christian County: SS

On this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Christian County Court in the State of Kentucky John Harlow a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged (81) Eighty-one years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

John Harlow states that he was born June 7, 1751 in Hanover County State of Virginia about 20 miles from Richmond. When young his parents moved to Louisa & subsequently after a lapse of some years (he cannot recollect) moved to Albemarle County. Has a record of his age in his house – was drafted in Albemarle & placed under Colonel George Mathews – Captain Thomas Collins & Lieutenant Ned Garland [Edward Garland] and thinks his General officer was a Frenchman named Fayette [Lafayette]. From Albemarle was marched to Richmond & from Richmond 20 miles lower down towards Williamsburg which had been visited by Arnold [Benedict Arnold] when he returned to his shipping & when his forces were taken up James River he (Harlow) was still kept stationed about 20 miles below Richmond. In that station he was taken sick with the Rheumatism and was ultimately sent to the Hospital at Richmond where he was discharged by the attending Physician, though barely able to move & did not reach his home (though laboring hard every day to do so) for three weeks after the company with which he served. He was drafted sometime early in the season: the year he does not now recollect & was discharged after a service & sickness of six months. His discharge he gave his brother to endeavor to procure some thing for him about forty years ago but never got any thing & his discharge he supposes is lost. He had three Brothers at the taking of Cornwallis shortly after his return home who, if he knew where they were, or were alive, could prove his service & perhaps produce his discharge. He never received a cent for his service rendered.

From Albemarle he moved about 35 years ago to Botetourt County where he lived about 30 or 31 years & from there he moved to this County where he now resides.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of the United States.

Sworn & subscribed to the day & year above mentioned.

S/ John Harlow

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Harlow". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with some loops and flourishes. The signature is written on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

[Thomas Caldwell, a clergyman, and Archibald Gant gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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