

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Johnson S13583

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State of Kentucky Pendleton County, Sct.

Be it remembered that among the records and proceedings of the Pendleton County Court at their September term A.D. are the following, to wit:

William Johnson, a soldier of the revolution this day subscribed and made oath in open court to a written declaration of his services as follows to wit:

State of Kentucky, Pendleton County Sct.

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court now sitting William Johnson aged seventy-four 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 Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. – That he volunteered in the militia of Virginia in the County of Fairfax under Captain Francis Russel [Francis Russell] in the year 1779 and served about four months, and was discharged at Petersburg in the year 1780 he went out a second tower [tour] of three months in the militia under Captain William Lane of Fairfax County Virginia, and served out his time and was discharged at Williamsburg in the State of Virginia. He served on a third militia tour in 1781 under Captain Hardige Lane [possibly Hardage Lane], he was out near five months and was discharged at Noland's ferry on the Potomac River in Loudoun County Virginia at which point he aided in guarding the prisoners from Little York after the capture of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. He recollects of having marched through the Counties of Prince William, Stafford, Spotsylvania &c. The two last tours of service he was drafted. He does not recollect the different field officers he was under, he was so often changed from post to pillar and consequently changed from officers to officers. He was in the battle of Little York, in the state of Virginia. He has no documentary evidence as his papers has been carelessly handled his discharge was lost. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State in the Union. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Johnson Sr.¹

[Jesse Robinson, a clergyman, and William Latimer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

We Joseph Thomas & James Thomas voluntarily declare that we were well acquainted with the declarant William Johnson whilst he was a soldier of the Revolutionary War and that we know that he served three tours of duty under Captain Francis Russell, William Lane & Hardige Lane.

¹ Since this is a certified copy of the application, the signature is not that of the veteran

That he lived in Fairfax County Virginia during the time he was in the Army of the Revolution; and we know that he, William Johnson, was at the siege of York, in the State of Virginia, at the time Cornwallis surrendered. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Joseph Thomas

S/ James Thomas²

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$36.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 11 months in the Virginia militia.]

² Perhaps the same man as [James Thomas S17146](#)