

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Sladyen S14476

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State of Kentucky Henderson County: Sct: On the 23rd day of July 1832 personally appeared before the Honorable the County Court of Henderson County Kentucky aforesaid now sitting John Sladyen of Henderson County and State of Kentucky aforesaid aged 73 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 the 7th of June 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States for 18 months in the year 1780 in the month of June with Captain Culverson [probably Capt. James Culbertson]¹ and served in the first Regiment of the Virginia Continental Line under the following Officers – viz. in Virginia under the command of Baron Steuben [Baron Friedrich von Steuben]. He marched through the lower parts of Virginia – having fought the British at Richmond, when General Arnold [Benedict Arnold] burnt the foundry – fought them again lower down the River at Cabbin Point [Cabin Point] on James River. Then he was detailed to join the Carolina troops & fought at Guilford [March 15, 1781], Camden [probably the battle near Camden known as the battle of Hobkirk Hill April 25, 1781] – thirdly at a Fort on the Congaree River – then at Ninety Six [siege of Ninety Six May 21 – June 19, 1781] & fought at Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] & continued on to the end of the war. That when he entered the service he resided in Charlotte County in the State of Virginia – That previous to this he marched through the Carolinas as a militia man, being drafted in March 1779 under Colonel Mason to join General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], & continued six months, having fought the battle of Stono ferry [June 20, 1779] – opposite Johns Island. That besides other battles – above referred to – he received a severe wound in the knee of the left leg from a musket ball, while in actual service against the common enemy at the battle of the Eutaw Springs in South Carolina on or about the 8th day of September 1781 fighting at the side of the gallant officer, the late Lieutenant Gabriel Green of this (Henderson) County, who while alive often acknowledged his services: that he continued in the service for the whole time for which he was detached and for which he engaged until discharged by Colonel Howard about the beginning of 1782 –

That he has no other documentary Evidence, his discharges being lost except the duly authenticated testimony of his fellow soldier James Slaton² of Bedford County Tennessee and

¹ In his application to Virginia (see below) for a pension, he refers to this officer as Capt. Sam'l Culverson but I could find no record of an officer by that name having served in the 1st Virginia Regiment on the Continental Establishment. Capt. James Culbertson is listed as having served in that Regiment.

² [James Slaton W9655](#)

which respectfully is herewith presented.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state in the Union – Sworn to, and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Signed

S/ John Sladyen



State of Kentucky Henderson County Sct. Before me, John Green, Senior Magistrate of Hanover County Kentucky personally appeared John Sladyen – of Henderson County and voluntarily made oath that the above declaration of his services is strictly true.

Given under my hand this 23rd July 1832.

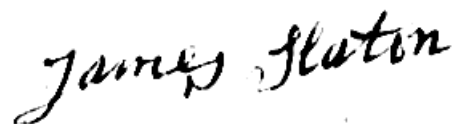
S/ John Green, J. P.

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State of Tennessee Bedford County: SS: Personally appeared before us James McGuire & John B Scruggs acting Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid James Slaton a Citizen of said County aged about seventy years and made oath that he was during the Revolutionary war personally acquainted with John Sladyen who he believes to have been about the same age with himself and who he is informed and believes now lives in Henderson County Kentucky – that he the said James Slaton was a Soldier among the eighteen months men in the Virginia line of the Army of the Revolution and was for some time stationed at Chesterfield barracks in Virginia under the command of Baron Steuben and that he was there acquainted with and knew the said John Sladyen to be a soldier among the said 18 months men but was not present at the time said Sladyen was discharged and does not recollect to what Company or Regiment he belonged – And although the said James Slaton has not seen the said John Sladyen for a number of years yet he is fully satisfied from a letter he has recently received from the said John Sladyen postmarked Henderson County Kentucky that he is the man he formerly knew, during the Revolutionary War from his having recalled to my recollection a circumstance that happened at that time (viz.) my being sick in the Hospital and his coming to see me.

Sworn to & signed before us this 4th day of February 1832

S/ James Slaton



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 18 months service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

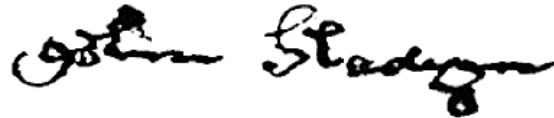
Addendum to John Sladyen S14476

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 3 June 2021.

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Sladegin, John.]

State of Kentucky } Personally appeared before me Robert Smith, Justice of the peace
Henderson County Sct } for Henderson Co aforesaid

John Sladeyen of Henderson County, Kentucky aforesaid, who, being duly sworn on the Evangelists of Almighty God, doth say, that applicant Inlisted at Charlotte Ct House in the State of Virginia about the 15th day of June in the year 1780 into the company Commanded by Captain say Sam'l Culverson in the 1st Regiment commanded by Col Arch'd Campbell [sic] in the Virginia line on Continental Establishment for the term of 18 months; that deponent served in the said line, until the End of 1781, when peace was made [sic: see endnote] when he was honorably discharged by say Col. Hawels at Charlotte Town in Mecklenb'h Co [Mecklenburg County] in the State of North Carolina that deponent at the time of his discharges, was in the company commanded by Cap. Morgan in the regiment commanded by s'd Col. A Campbell in the Virginia line on Continental Establishment; that Deponent lost his discharge about March in the year 1782; that deponent never received any bounty in land for his service; that deponent is 74 years of age, was at the time of his Enlistment of fair complexion, dark eyes, black hair, 5 feet 9 inches high that deponent's services have been proved by is cousin James Sladeyin [sic] of Bedford County Tennessee, which proofs are now on file in the records of the war Department W'n D.C. for the recovery of a pension; and further Deponent saith not.
Sworn and subscribed this 22 day of oct'r 1832 before me
Rob't Smith JPHC

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Sladeyin". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

NOTE: Peace was not formally concluded until November 1783