

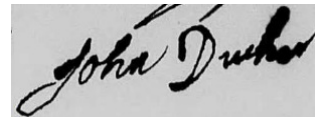
Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Ducker S15409 VA
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State of Kentucky } June Term 1818
Pendleton County } Sct

On this 15th day of June 1818 before the County Court of the County afs'd. personally appeared John Ducker aged 58 years Resident in Campbell County in the State afs'd. who being by the Court first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by an Act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval Service of the United States in the revolutionary War

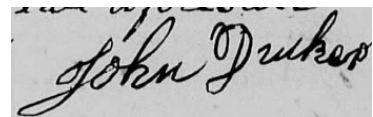
That he the said John Ducker was drafted into the service of the united states as a private Soldier in Winchester virginia about the 7th of Ap'l. 1781 and was attached to the Company of Capt Samuel Finley [pension application W10026] (now Gen'l. Finley of Chillicothe) Reg't of the Continental line from thence was marched to Powhatan Court house the drafts being to fill up different Regm'ts he was then attached to Capt Kilpatrick's [sic: Abraham Kirkpatrick's] Company of the 4 Regm't. Commanded by Col. Garskens [sic: Thomas Gaskins] and under the command of Inspector Gen'l. Baron Stuben [sic: Baron von Steuben] of the Continental line and from thence was marched to the South across Stanton River [sic: Staunton River, early June 1781] thence back again to Col. Dandridges [Col. William Dandridge's Old Field 21 mi above Richmond in Hanover County]. there Gen'l. [Anthony] Wayne took the Command of Col. Garsken's Regm't. and remained under his Command untill after the Capture of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] and then was marched under the Command of Majr Poulston [sic: John Poulson] to the horse pen Branch [Horsepen Branch] near Powhatan Court house for Winter quarters remained there till the month of Febuary under the Command of Gen'l. Febecker [sic: Christian Febiger] and Majr Sam'l. Finly and when the details were made for nine Companies he was marched under the Command of Col [Thomas] Posey (now Gen'l Posey) & Majr Sam'l Finley marched on the 14th day of Febuary 1782 and arrive in Georgia on the 7th Ap'l. and joined Gen'l. Wayne at Ebenezer and continued under his Command during his Campaign in Georgia and was in the battle called Brown's defeat [possibly defeat of British Lt. Col. Thomas Brown at Harris's Bridge, Ogeechee Ferry GA, 20 May 1782] Also at the battle called Segers's defeat where the Indians Attacked us by surprise at the Widow Gibbon's [skirmish at the Widow Gibbon's Mills at Sharon GA, 24 May] and on the same evening was in a Skirmish under the command of Lieut. Dan'l. Bedinger [Daniel Bedinger] thence marched to Ashley hill near Charleston thence disbanded and marched under the Command of Luke Cannon [S46373] Q[uar]ter Master to the horse pen Branch at Powhatan there was discharged by Gen'l. Charles Scott about the last of Nov'r. 1782 which discharge stated the ballance of pay due him which he left in Frederick County virginia before he moved to Kentucky and has not seen it since and he knows not that it is in existance and that from his Reduced Circumstances he is in need of the assistance of his country for support



State of Kentucky }
Campbell County } S.S.

On this 24th Sep 1832 Personally appeared in open court, before campbell County court now sitting Peter Ducker a resident of said County of Campbell state of Kentucky aged seventy three on the 19th day of last April 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 7th June 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was drafted in the month of April 1781 for the term of eighteen months in Frederick County Virginia in the town of Winchester Enrolled by Capt Samuel Findley, Ensign Daniel Bedinger marched by the same two officers to Col Mather's [probably Sampson Mathews's] head quarters at Chesterfield in said state of Virginia the day before we arrived the British set the Barricks on fire [late April 1781], that they then turned their course to Port Ann [sic: Powhatan] old court house there we drew arms Recrossed James river at Carter's ferry [now Cartersville] There were mustered and inspected by Barron Stuban where he was placed in the 4th Virginia Regiment under Col Gaskins and Maj Pattson Ensign Bedinger Thence to Albemarle old court house there drew new arms. Thence they were driven by Tarlton [sic: Banastre Tarleton] across the South fork of Jame's river [sic: Point of Fork at the junction of Rivanna and James rivers, 6 July]. Thence with a rapid march untill they crossed Stanton river Then they recrossed Stanton river and then marched to General Marquis de La Fayette's [sic: Lafayette's] Head quarters where they were attached to General Waynes Brigade under whom the continued untill Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown in Virginia. Thin were marched by Major Potts to Port Ann County where we erected Barracks There commanded by Col Febecker untill first of Feb 1782. then placed under the Command of Col Thos Possey and Major Samuel Findley On the 14th day of Feb took up our line of March for Gen Green's [sic: Nathanael Greene's] head quarters in South Carolina but before they arrived at head quarters were met by an express ordering them to Georgia to reinforce Gen Wayne we joined him on the 7th of April at the town of Ebeneazer On the 23rd day of May they received an express to March towards Savannah where they fought the battle under Gen Wayne he was also in the Battle at the Widdows lane; the next day was in a small skirmish with the British Picket Guard. he marched in with Gen Wayn where he took possession of savannah [11 Jul 1782]. Thence they march to South Carolina and joined Gen Green at his head quarters. On our rout on the Pulia Finny river the Brave Col Lawrence fell in a skirmish with the Brittish [sic: John Laurens on Combahee River, 27 Aug] They remained in Gen Greens head quarters till some time in Oct. At this time their time of service being out they were Marched back to the State of Virginia by Capt Warman [Thomas Warman BLWt1789-300] and Luke Cannon Lieut. Then some time about the first of December they were discharged by Gen Charles Scott. His discharge being left in Virginia he does not know what has become of it. He further declares he was placed on the pension roll of the United States on the 13th day of May 1819 and was struck off the roll on account of property was then and is now a resident of the afforesaid County of Campbell State of Kentucky. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or anuity 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Ducker". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, typical of the late 18th or early 19th century.

NOTE: On 23 Jan 1845 John Ducker applied to have his pension transferred to Ohio, because he had moved to the county of Kenton KY.