

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Farmer S21191

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South Carolina, Greenville District

On this the tenth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions now sitting John Farmer a resident of Granville District in the State of South Carolina aged seventy-six 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – he entered the service in the Spring of the year in which Cornwallis was defeated at York town, under Captain Blassingame [Thomas Blassingame] and Colonel Fair [probably William Farr] and Colonel Brannon [Thomas Brandon] -- he served three tours of three months each and also [indecipherable word]¹ monthly tours in guarding the Magazine at Brannon's [sic, Brandon's?] Block House which altogether he thinks amounts to one years service. The first tour he served at "Ninety Six" under the officers above stated – General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] had command of the station at Ninety Six – the British were forced at Ninety Six at that time under Colonel Cruger [John Harris Cruger]. The second tour he served at Ancrum's Ferry under Colonel Fair and Captain James Crawford. The third tour he served in an expedition against the Indians – under Lieutenant Blassingame – and Colonel Fair – marched the other end of the Hiwassee River and returned – lived in Union –when he entered the service – South Carolina – was drafted every time – was in no battles – did not serve with my Continental Regiments, does not recollect being with any regular officers – has no papers – His brother Shadrach Farmer can testify as to his services one tour at Ancrum's Ferry – was born in Halifax County Virginia in the year "fifty seven" has no record of his age – has lived in South Carolina since the Revolutionary [War] except [indecipherable word] years in Oglethorpe Georgia and now lives in Granville District – never received a discharge – George Greene, Jesse Rector – George [?] Hannah – live in his neighborhood and can testify to his good character for truth and honesty and their belief in his service – He hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any state or Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above stated.

S/ J. McDaniel, C. C. P.



S/ John Farmer, X his mark

[Thomas Hutchings, a clergyman and Lewis Sudduth gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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South Carolina, Greenville District

Personally came before me the subscribing Justice Shadrach Farmer² and being duly sworn makes oath that he knows of John Farmers serving one three months tour at Ancrum's Ferry under Captain James Crawford and Colonel William Fair in the year that Cornwallis was taken prisoner at Yorktown that this deponent served with him in the same company and that he did has good reason to believe that he rendered other service and that he knows him to have been a true and faithful friend to his country.

They were a Sworn to and subscribed October 11, 1832

S/ J. McDaniel, C. C. P. Ex. Off. J. Q.

S/ Shadrach Farmer, X his mark

[Veteran died July 6, 1838, in Greenville District, SC]

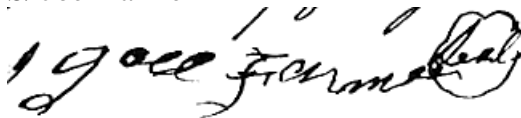
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State of South Carolina Greenville District

Personally appeared Joil Farmer [sic] a resident of the District and State aforesaid and made oath in due form of law that he is a son of John Farmer who was a Revolutionary Soldier and Pensioner of the United States and died in Greenville District South Carolina on the 6th day of July 1838 and that he does hereby constitute and appoint George C. Ames Esq. of Washington City his agent and attorney to examine the papers on which his father's Pension was granted and if there be found anything do you to prosecute the same before the Department having charge of the same.

Witness my hand & seal this 9 day of April 1857

S/ Joel Farmer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joel Farmer" with a circular seal or stamp to the right of the name.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 12 months in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts³ relating to John Farmer pp7

Audited Account No. 2300

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[No.] 2817

No. 112

[Book] X

24 May 86 [1786]

John Farmer for Militia duty Since the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the

² [Shadrach Farmer S21190](#)

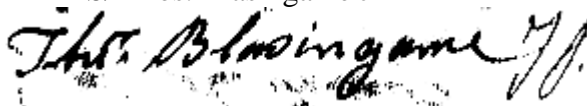
³ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

British on May 12, 1780] in Brandon's [Thomas Brandon's] Regiment per Anderson's [Colonel Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant] –

[old South Carolina] Currency £91

Stg. [Sterling] £13

Received 24 May 1786, full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 2817 X for John Farmer
S/ Thos. Blasingame JP

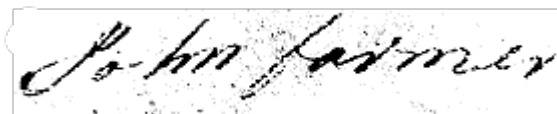
A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thos. Blasingame JP". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

[p 3: Repeat of the above information]

[p 4: Printed form of indent No. 2817 Book X]

[p 7 (retakes of page 5 and 6): Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement:

I assigned over this indent to Lemuel James Alston for value received
S/ John farmer

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Farmer". The signature is enclosed in a rectangular box with a thin border.

Test

S/ Thos. Blasingame, JP