

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of George Corn S2143

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State of Kentucky, Boone County Sct.

This day personally appeared before us the County Court Justices in open Court the Subscriber George Corn and made the following statement. That he was enlisted in the year 1777 under Capt [Van] Swearingen to serve in the revolutionary war of America against Great Britain for the term of three years and served the full time. The Regiment was commanded by Col. Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead] & Gen'l [Lachlan] McIntosh of the Pennsylvania line as well as he recollects. [See endnote.] That he was in two battles against the Indians on the Allegany River & the Tuskerara river [sic: Allegheny and Tuscarawas rivers]. That he was honorably discharged at the end of s'd. three years by Col. Broadhead. That he has not nor does he at this time receive a Pension from this or any other government. And that he has rec'd. but little of his pay for his services. That the last year of his services he received a Lieutenants commission from the government. That his vouchers are all gone that establish these facts, without his privity or consent they have been lost or destroyed. And that at the Blue Lick [Battle of Blue Licks KY, 19 Aug 1782] defeat he was wounded in the under jaw & part of his teeth knocked out. and that such are his reduced circumstances in life that he needs the aid of his government for support. And has been in all the principal battles against the Indians in the Western Country. given under my hand this 6th Nov'r. 1818.

George hisCmark Corn

State of Kentucky Boone County Sct [6 Nov 1819]

This Day personally appeared before me one of the circuit Judges for the Commonwealth of Kentucky & Circuit afores'd. the affiant Eli Davis and made oath That he was & is well acquainted with George Corn an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress, whose statement was dated 6th Nov. 1818 and certified by the Boone County Court at their December Term 1818.

That he himself was an enlisted soldier in the revolutionary war against great Britain and that during his Term of service he well recollects of seeing said Corn doing service in the Regular army of the U. States against Great Britain (and knows that said Corn was an enlisted soldier & served one year with the affiant and how much longer he does not know That after the expiration of about one year they were separated & saw s'd. Corn no more in the service; but knows said Corn was in [one or two illegible words] when they were separated. That he was further informed said Corn was enlisted for three years. That when they were together, they were under the command of Cols. Clarke & Gibson & Gen'l. McIntosh in the Virginia line.

State of Kentucky. Boone circuit, S.S.

On this 11th day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the circuit of Boone so made & constituted by act of the Legislature of the state afs'd. making a record of its proceedings with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, George Corn a resident of s'd county of Boone aged 62 years next October who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & the 1st of May 1820. That he the said G Corn enlisted for the term of three years on the 17th day of January in the year 1777 in the state of Pennsylvania in the company of van Swearingun in the regiment commanded By Col. Broadhead & Col. Bayard in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the regular Continental Establishment That he continued to serve in said Corps until the term of his enlistment expired, when he was discharged from the said service in the said State of Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh, that he was in one engagement on the Allegahny River that he was in another at the Tuskerawa That he was

honourably discharged by Lt. Gordon That his discharge is lost or mislaid so that the same is not in his power. That he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Service except that Eli Davis was in service at the same time and knows of my services as part of the time as stated & sworn to by him in my former application. And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

A scedule of the property of George Corn

I have no property of any description – I am a farmer By occupation, But am aged & infirm and am crippled in the hand & can but do but little at it I have four in family besides myself my wife aged 51 years a daughter named Sally aged 14 years the next a Boy named Tom Jefferson aged 11 years past a cripple the next a daughter named Malinda aged 9 years.. That his family live with his son in law and they are incompetent to contribute much to their support. George hisCmark Corn

[On 9 Jun 1831 Corn, said to be about 74 and a resident of Boone County for 20 years, made a declaration similar to the above but with the following schedule of property:

“One horse worth	\$30
One Bed & Bedding worth	<u>15</u>
	\$45”]

State of Kentucky } Sctt.
County of Boone }

On this 9th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the Boone Circuit Court in Open Court, George Corn a resident of said County of Boone & State of Kentucky aged about 75 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. that He enlisted in the army of the united states in the year 1777 with Capt. Van swearigan and served in the Eighth Pennsylvania regiment of the pensylvania line & served under following named officers at different periods during his service, Cols. Broadhead, Jno. Campbell [John Campbell, County Lieutenant of Yohogania County], George Gibson Wm. Bayard. [William Bayard] – maj’r. Springer & under Gen’l G R. Clark [George Rogers Clark] against the Indians. Under his enlistment he served three years & left the service early in 1780. And then discharged by Lieut Gordon at Pittsburgh Pensylvania. He then came to Kentucky & entered the Army against the Indians in June 1780 under Gen’l. G R. Clark – Cols. Ben Logan [Benjamin Logan], W Lynn [William Lynn], H McGary [Hugh McGary] & was during his service marched from fort McIntosh [at present Beaver PA] to Tuscarara [Fort Laurens on Tuskarawas River near present Bolivar OH] & there was in an engagement with the Indians – the fort at Tuscarora was commanded by Maj’r. Varnum & was besieged by the Indians & British [winter 1778-79] & He was also in a battle on the allegany with Indians at Muncy Towns [Aug 1779] in his last Service He was in an engagement against the Indians in fort Pickaway [Piqua and other towns, 8 Aug 1780] under Gen’l Clark &c. He was in Floyds defeat near Louisville [defeat of Col. John Floyd at Long Run, 14 Sep 1781] & also at the Battles of the Blue Licks at which place He was severely wounded & was in Estells Battle with Indians near the Kentucky river [sic: Capt. James Estill, Battle of Little Mountain, 22 Mar 1782] – At the first enlistment he lived on the Monongahela river near red stone old fort in the state of Pensylvania [Redstone Fort in Yohogania County VA, now Brownsville PA]. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension

or annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state – Given under my hand and seal this day & year afs’ d. Geo hisCmark Corn

NOTE: Capt. Van Swearingen’s company was in the 8th Pennsylvania Continental Regiment but temporarily attached to the Virginia Continental Line.