

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edmond Johnson S30509

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State of Louisiana Parish of St. Landry: SS

On this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December personally appeared in open Court before the said District Court of the State of Louisiana at its November Term 1833 holding Session in the Parish of St. Landry the Honorable Seth Lewis presiding, Edmond Johnson Senior an inhabitant & Resident of the said Parish & State, who being duly sworn according to law who says his age is about seventy-two years makes oath to the following declaration. That he entered the service under the following named officers in the service of the United States. He says that he was drafted in the Virginia Militia & entered upon duty in January or February 1779 & was discharged in August or September following, is certain that he was on that tour of duty in the service of the United States more than six months continuously. He was under the immediate command of Captain Joseph Winn & belonged to the Regiment of Colonel David Mason, Colonel James Mason was the Pay Master, at the time he was drafted he lived in Lunenburg County, State of Virginia. That immediately after he entered the service his company was marched to Halifax in North Carolina there they remained a considerable time until arms & ammunition were procured from Petersburg, state of Virginia. That said affiant went by order of his Captain several times to Petersburg to procure arms & ammunition. That after leaving Halifax his company proceeded to South Carolina and joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] at Colonel Parker's Ferry on the editor Stono River. That he was engaged in the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] in South Carolina which he thinks took place in the month of June 1779. Says that he was at the battle of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781], North Carolina, was a volunteer under the command of Captain Dawson but during that battle was under the immediate command of Captain Walker. He says that he has received from the State of Virginia for bushels of Salt and has never received any other pay for his revolutionary services, said affiant further says that he came to Natchez to live in 1788 and has lived there and in Louisiana ever since. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

Sworn in Open Court

this 5<sup>th</sup> December 1833

S/ W. W. Taylor, Dep. Clerk

S/ Edmd Johnson<sup>1</sup>

Interrogatories propounded by the Court

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

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<sup>1</sup> the application is a certified copy of the original and sent to the War Department, consequently, the actual signature of the veteran does not appear on the document

Answer. That he was born in the year 1763 in Caroline County Virginia.

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. He has no record of his age.

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. He was living in Lunenburg County Virginia. That he has lived in Georgia, Mississippi and that he now lives in the Parish of St. Landry and State of Louisiana.

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

Answer – He says he was drafted in the militia for 6 months but did not get home for 8 months.

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer – He cannot recollect any except Colonel David Mason who commanded the Regiment and Captain Joseph Winn under whom affiant marched that Major Brodnax marched with the troops from Lunenburg to the Town of Halifax where he left them.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. He says that he never received any discharge from the service that he served out his time of service and was detained 2 months afterwards with the baggage wagons as a guard on their March home, to protect them from the Tories, that at the time he was dismissed the whole Troops were also dismissed.

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. The Honorable George King, William Garrard & Honorable Seth Lewis  
[William Garrard, George King & Seth Lewis gave the standard supporting affidavit.]