

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Story (Storey)¹ S30721

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky Sct.

Be it remembered that on the 22nd day of June in the year of our Lord 1818, Personally appeared before me the undersigned one of the Circuit Judges in and for the said Commonwealth John Story of the County of Franklin and within the Circuit of my Judicial authority who made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that in the year 1780 in the State of Virginia he entered into the Militia Service of the United States of the Revolutionary War for as well as he recollects for four months, that after marching to North Carolina in the said service under General Stevens [Edward Stevens] in the year aforesaid 1780, he enlisted into the regular Continental service as a soldier for during the War, which last enlistment in the said State of North Carolina was about three weeks after the defeat of the American Army commanded by General Gates [Horatio Gates] at Camden [August 15-16, 1780], and that he served for that time in Colonel William Washington's Court of Cavalry, during the remainder of the said War, that the 1st battle which he was in, was at the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] in South Carolina in which General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] commanded the American forces and defeated the British commanded by Colonel Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton], the next Battle which he was in was at Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781] the American forces commanded by General Green [Nathanael Greene] & the British by Lord Cornwallis in which he received a wound in his right arm, this was in the year 1781, and in the same year He was in the Battle near Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781] when the American Army under said General Green was defeated by the British under Lord Rawdon. He was at the siege of Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781] and in the Battle at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] in the said year 1781, at the latter place he was taken prisoner as well as the said Colonel Washington and some others and carried to Charlestown [Charleston], and remained with said Washington until after peace was made, and until he was allowed his liberty to return home, that he is illiterate and did not obtain a discharge in writing, and he moreover states that he never obtained no applied for a pension from Government and that his age is about 56 years. The said Story also states that he is poor and in needy circumstances that he has a family and is not able to do much labor.

S/ John Story, X his mark

Sworn to before me the day and year 1st above written.

S/ Henry Davidge, C. Judge

¹ BLWt780-100 Issued March 16, 1819 Act. Apr. 15, 1806

State of Kentucky Woodford County Sct.

I Samuel McKee a Circuit Judge in and for the State aforesaid do certify that on this day John Casey² and of lawful age appeared before me and made oath, that John Story above mentioned enlisted and served as a Soldier in the Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, that said Story enlisted in the summer of 1780 for during the said war and served in the same Regiment with this Affiant, to which, the Regiment of Cavalry which was commanded by Colonel William Washington and that the said Story and is Affiant were in the same mess a part of the time of their services aforesaid, and that he remembers that said Story was in several of the Battles above stated by him and that he was taken prisoner at the Eutaw Springs as above stated, The Affiant also remembers, to have seen said Story sometime after said Battle at Eutaw Springs serving as a waiter to said Washington who was understood to be on parole [f p. 46], in the said John Casey further says that he is fifty-six years of age and is a Citizen of the County of Franklin and State aforesaid, and that he is acquainted with the Circumstances of said Story who is poor and in need of the Assistance of his Country. Sworn to as above stated before made this 6th day of September 1819.

S/ Saml McKee, Circuit Judge

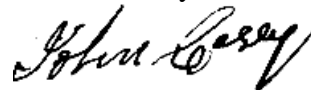
I John Story of the County of Franklin & State of Kentucky due on oath declare that in 1779 I enlisted as a Soldier to serve during the Revolutionary war, in Captain William Barrett's Troop in Colonel William Washington's Regiment of Light Dragoons in the Virginia line upon Continental establishment, – that I served until the close of the war & was honorably discharged, but which discharge I have lost & he cannot now find it – that I have never received my bounty land Warrant or never disposed of my right to it in any way whatever.

S/ John Story, X his mark

[Attested July 25, 1818 by J. Brown, JP, Franklin County Kentucky]

I John Casey of the County of Casey & State of Kentucky due on oath declare this – I was a Soldier in Captain William Barrett's Troop in Colonel William Washington's Regiment of Light Dragoons in the Virginia line upon Continental establishment in the Revolutionary war, – That when in service I knew John Story who was a Soldier in the same Troop – that the said Story enlisted to serve during the war & did serve until the close of it – & was honorably discharged, & that the John Story who makes this application for his bounty land Warrant is the person who rendered the services aforesaid.

S/ John Casey



[Attested July 25, 1818]

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I Charles Neal³ of the County of Scott & State of Kentucky due on oath declare that I was a Soldier in Colonel William Washington's Regiment of Light Dragoons in the Virginia line upon Continental establishment in the Revolutionary War, – that I knew in service the John Story mentioned in the Power of attorney hereto annexed – that said John Story enlisted in Captain

² [John Casey S30308](#)

³ [Charles Neal W9587](#)

Barrett's Troupe in the said Regiment to serve during the war & did serve to the close of it & was honorably discharged, but which discharge I have understood & do believe it is lost & cannot now be found.

S/ Charles Neal

[Attested October 9, 1818 in Scott County Kentucky]



Schedule

District of Kentucky SS Franklin Circuit

On this 19th day of February 1821 [last digit unclear], personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said district, and circuit of Franklin County, John Story aged 59 years, resident in Franklin County in said district, who being 1st duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in the revolutionary War in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Colonel William Washington for the Virginia Continental Line "for and During the War" that his original declaration is dated the 22nd of June 1818, and that his Pension Certificate is dated the 5th day of June 1820 and No. 17381.

And 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of 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" 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.

One old Mare	valued at	\$15.00
8 head of Hogs or Shoats		5.00
Two Cows		20.00
6 Sheep		9.00
House hold furniture		<u>10.00</u>
		\$59.00

No debts due to me, but I owe about \$500.

S/ John Story, X his mark

I am now attending to business for a Mrs. Wallace, but am living on a Tenement belonging to one of my sons. I have a wife and one child, a Daughter about 17 years old, dependent upon my bodily exertions for support, my Occupation is a Farmer but from age and hardship as encountered during and wounds I received in the Revolutionary War, I am unable to make more than feeble exertions for support

Sworn to, and declared on the 19th day of February 1821 before us

S/ J. Swigert

S/ Scott Brown

S/ Hugh Innis

S/ John Boyd, JPs for Franklin County

State of Kentucky Franklin County Sct.

On this 14th day of August 1833 came in person before Henry Wingate a Justice of the Peace in & for said County John Story a resident of Anderson County State of Kentucky, aged 69 years, who being duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress made for invalid persons in consequence of disabilities from wounds received in the service of the United [States] during the war of the Revolution.

Deponent ling [?] & says that in September 1780 he enlisted as a regular soldier in the war of the revolution for and during the war, whilst a citizen of the State of Virginia, under William Barrott [William Barrett] Captain of Light Dragoons of the 3rd Virginia Regiment, that for his services in said war he is now in the receipt of a pension of \$96 per annum that he now makes application for the additional pension because of his wounds – he states that whilst in the service of the United States under the aforesaid enlistment, at the battle of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781] he was wounded in the right arm by a ball being shot into the elbow and shattering to pieces the arm bone from the elbow to the shoulder, the ball having been cut out of the side of the right shoulder, that in consequence of the aforesaid wound he is totally disabled from making a support by labor and long has been, having followed overseeing for many years, that he is now unable to do so from old age consequently makes this application for his invalid pension, he states he served out to the end of the war, according to his enlistment, after his arm had got well enough to use a little, he got his land from Virginia, and also from the United States.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to any invalid pension but the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll as an invalid of any agency of the United States except as a soldier now in receipt of \$96 per annum as aforesaid.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Test:

S/ H. Wingate

S/ John Story, X his mark

The Affidavit of William Cardwell⁴ a Soldier of the revolutionary war,

This affiant states, That he served with John Story in the third Virginia Regiment of light dragoons in the Army of the revolution, under the Command of Colonel William Washington, That he was with said Story in the Battle of Guilford Court-House in North Carolina where the American forces were commanded by General Greene, That the said Story was wounded in the right arm by a ball which fractured and broke the bone, in consequence of which the said Story appears to be now much disabled by said wound. I knew said Story well in the Army of the revolution and served with him to the end of the war, and he thinks said Story is now about 70 years of age,

S/ William Cardwell

now
William Cardwell

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Affidavits of Patrick Major & William T. Bohannon, Practicing Physicians in the town of Frankfort Kentucky taken on the 14th day of August 1833

Affiants State that they have been called on by John Story to examined a wound, said to have been received in the War of the revolution, after a careful examination of the same we find

⁴ [William Cardwell W8590](#)

that said Story has received a wound in the right elbow joint apparently from a ball and of long-standing which we think has so injured the bone of said joint as to incapacitate him from manual labor, on further examination we find an appearance of a ball having been taken out of the right shoulder, which has also injured that joint, we are of opinion that in consequence of both wounds said John Story labors under total disability from supporting himself by labor of his body – said Bohannon states he has long been acquainted with said Story, and that his arm was in its present situation from his 1st appearance with him further these affiants say not.

Patrick Major
Wm. H. Bohannon

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State of Kentucky Anderson County Sct.

On this 22nd day of August 1835 came in person before me One of the Commonwealth's Justices in & for said County John Story aged 71 years a resident citizen of Anderson County & State of Kentucky who being 1st duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That in the year 1780 about 3 weeks after the defeat of General Gates [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] Affiant whilst a Citizen of Culpeper County Virginia enlisted as a regular soldier for and during the war under Captain William Barrett who commanded a troop of horse in Colonel William Washington's Regiment of Light dragoons of the Virginia line that said Barrett after being wounded retired from service and this Affiant served until the end of the War in 1783 August under Captain Bell that he this Affiant has got his land from Virginia & from the United States, he supposes his discharge is now on file in Richmond Virginia that he is now a pensioner under the Act of Congress of 1818 which Certificate is herewith returned.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension but the present except one he has applied for heretofore as an invalid for wounds received during the revolution but which pension he has not got as yet he further declares his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State in the Union except as a pensioner under the act of 1818 which she now relinquishes & herewith sends his old Certificate.

Subscribed & sworn to this 22nd day of August 1835

S/ John Story

John Story

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 22, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Cavalry. Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]