

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Bagby S31532

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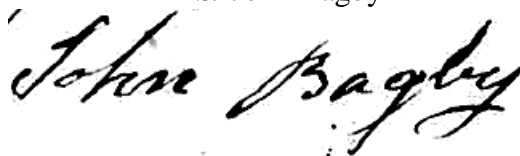
Georgia, Gwinnett County

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Judges of the Inferior Court for the County & State John Bagby a resident in the County of Gwinnett & State aforesaid aged Seventy-five 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 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832. that he entered and enlisted in the Army of the United States, in Halifax County N. C. and served under Col. Moore [probably James Moore], Lieutenant Colonel Ashe [probably John Baptiste Ashe], Major Clark [possibly Major Thomas Clark] and Captain Granger [Caleb Grainger] – marched from Halifax to Wilmington and from Wilmington up Cape Fear River &c and was discharged at Wilmington having served six months – was drafted again a few weeks before the Battle of Guilford C. H. N. C. particular date not recollected – marched from Halifax to Guilford C. H. & was at the battle [March 15, 1781]– returned to Halifax was then marched to Augusta in Georgia and was wounded at the taking of Brown & Grayson [sic, Grierson] Forts [Siege of Augusta, May 22-June 6, 1781] – in the above route I was commanded by Major Pink Eaton [Pinketon or Pinkertham Eaton] who was killed at Augusta – from Augusta back to Halifax on furlough – served this tour about three months.

And I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and I declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court.

S/ John Bagby



Attest: S/ Wm. Maltbie, C.I.C.

Georgia, Gwinnett County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in & for be said County John Bagby who being duly sworn Deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below & in the following grades: for six months I served a private Soldier under Colonel Moore, Lieutenant Col. Ashe, Major Clark & Captain Granger and received a discharge but cannot recollect what became of it but believe it was lost. Deponent believes that he enlisted in the fall of 1777 – Deponent recollects that during the above Tour he was within a few Miles of the place and distinctly heard the Guns when the battle was fought between General Caswell [Richard Caswell] and General McCloud [perhaps a reference to Lt. Col. Donald McLeod of Anson County who was killed at the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, February 27,

1776] the Tory Commander and arrived there the same day in the evening & saw McCloud dead – that he marched most of the previous night in order to arrive of soon enough to assist General Caswell. Deponent further states that he volunteered in the Spring of \_\_\_ & marched under Captain Papple [?]<sup>1</sup> to Charlotte Mecklenburg County N. C., that he served in a company of Cavalry & that when he volunteered he resided in Halifax County N. C., that he served during this Tour three months, and he thinks that the object in marching his company to Charlotte was to get them to enlist in the U.S. Army. Deponent again states that in the Spring of 1781 he served six months as a drafted Militia Man was at the Battle at Guilford C. H. &c as stated in his original declaration – was wounded at Augusta Ga., sent up the Savannah River to Major Hammond's, was twelve miles of Augusta – there he obtained a furlough (being unfit for duty) from General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] and went home to Halifax N. C., he afterwards received a discharge from Colonel John Hargrove but said discharge is lost. Deponent states that through inadvertence & hurry when he made his original Declaration that he omitted a three months Tour now mentioned and that he should have stated that he served six months in the Spring of 1781 instead of three – And Deponent further states that he has no documentary evidence whereby he can prove his service nor does he know that he can obtain any. Deponent states that he was born in Hanover County, Virginia in the year 1757. The record of his age is at his own House in Gwinnett County recorded in big family Bible which record was given to him by his half Brother. And Deponent states the names of the following persons who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a Soldier of the revolution – John G. Park, Clerk I. C. --Gilbert Coffee, Sheriff, Asahel K. Smith, Esq. Post Master-- Col. Nathan L. Hutchins – Robert Montgomery, Esq. -- Thomas Green, Esq. &c all of Gwinnett County. And Deponent further states that he was called into service as he believes, by competent the party & that he was not employed in any civil pursuit. That he Sworn to & subscribed before me this third day of May 1833.

S/ John Bagby

S/ John Mills, JP

[John S Wilson, a clergyman, and Wiley Brogden gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina militia.]

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<sup>1</sup> Peoples?