

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John West S32580  
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Georgia Talbot County: On this the 3rd day of February 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Inferior Court of said County and State John West said court now sitting, and the said West being a resident of the County and State aforesaid -- the said John West aged seventy-two the 22nd day of April next hereafter and being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the Colonies in the forepart of the year 1779 under the command of Captain Stephen Youn<sup>2</sup> [sic?] Of Gates County State of North Carolina that he entered said company as a volunteer, that shortly after the organization of said Company the company petitioner being one thereof marched from Gates County to the South until said company approached near the line of South Carolina, where the Company joined the Main Army under the command of General Lincorn [sic, Benjamin Lincoln], after this applicant was attached to General Lincoln's Army he was also attached to Colonel Maberry's Regiment -- General Lincoln marched to Georgetown South Carolina from thence to Charleston, this applicant was a volunteer for six months served out his time, and on the expiration of the time in Charleston petitioner again volunteered in Captain Johnston's company which service was to expire on the 24th of June 1780 petitioner was commanded by Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle] (as will more fully appear by the accompanying certificate). The petitioner remained in Charleston until the 12 of May 1780 when the City was taken by General Clynton [sic, Sir Henry Clinton] the British Commander, your petitioner was taken a prisoner of war where he remained after the fall of Charleston. Sometime in June 1780 from whence applicant was put on board as a prisoner of war a British thirty-two gun frigate and taken to the Island of Bermuda where petitioner was put again in a large prison ship until November 1781 or ~~1782~~ when petitioner was put on board of a British flagship and landed at Chesapeake Bay at old Hampton and they are set at liberty after which your petitioner performed no further service.

The petitioner states that the whole of the time he was in service and a prisoner of war was from the early part of 1779 to the latter part of November 1781 making upwards of two

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<sup>2</sup> The War Department interpreted this name as "Your" but with a question mark behind its interpretation.

years & half -- Petitioner hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed before made this the day and year above written.

S/ B. C. Duke, JIC

S/ John West

[Hiram Powell and John Blackstone, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn 60: The veteran died January 31, 1836. There is no reference any his papers to his family.]

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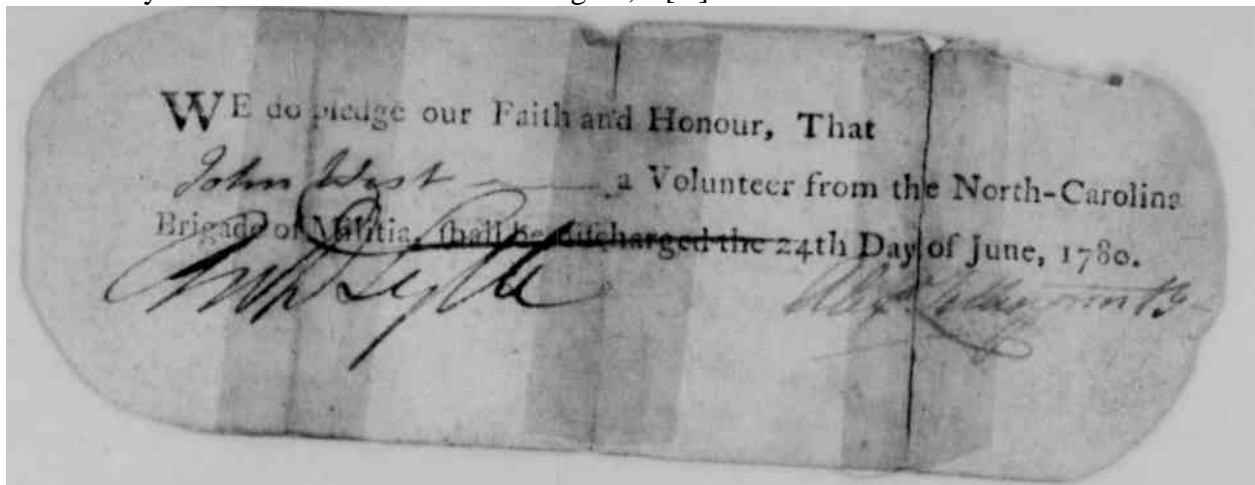
We do pledge our Faith and Honour, That

John West a Volunteer from the North-Carolina

Brigade of Militia, shall be discharged the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 1780.

S/ Arch<sup>d</sup>. Lytle

S/ Alexr Lillington, B[G]



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 42 years service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]