

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Bryant S35796

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[10 Aug 1818] To the honble Thomas Montgomery one of the circuit Judges for the Commonwealth of Kentucky presiding in the Lincoln Circuit

Your petitioner John Bryant states that he enlisted as a regular Soldier in the County of Amherst State of Virginia under Capt Jesse Alvin. That he was stationed in the County of Albemarl at the barracks as a guard to attend the british prisoners taken by the American Troops [at Saratoga 17 Oct 1777, brought to Albemarle Barracks Jan 1779]. That by the Terms of his enlistment he was bound to remain in the service as aforesaid as long as it was deemed necessary – that he served faithfully as a Sargent for nearly three years that the regiment was Commanded by Col Francis Taylor, that it was call'd the Regiment of Guard. that he did serve as long as the Government required his services in the Capacity of Sargent as afs'd. – that he rec'd. a regular discharge. that he left it in the Auditors in Virginia at the time he applied for pay in consideration of his services. that his circumstances are so reduced he stands greatly in need of aid from his government. John Bryant

James Warren states he enlisted the said John Bryant in the name of the united states for Capt Allin – that he saw him in service at the barracks to which he alludes in his affidavit at different times. that he thinks he served for nearly three years James Warren

State of Kentucky, 9th Judicial District, and Circuit court for Garrard County, Sct.

On this 19th day of September A.D. 1820, before the Circuit court aforesaid, the said court being open, & being a court of Record by act afs by proceeding according to the course of the common law Personally appeared before the said court, John Bryant of Mercer county, the same person who obtained a certificate for a pension as a Sergeant, dated the 11th day of August, A.D. 1819, numbered 13,986, who is aged about sixty nine years, who being duly and legally sworn, declared upon his oath that he served the United states for the time & in the manner stated by him in the declaration under which he obtained the certificate above mentioned. And pursuant to the act of Congress passed on the 1st day of May A.D. 1829, amendatory of the act of Congress, passed on the 18th day of March A.D. 1819 [sic: 1818], entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service fo the United states in the revolutionary war" the said John Bryant made the following oath & rendered the following schedule of his estate Viz: 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 Viz:

One Horse not worth more than	\$50.00
One paper security for \$62 & some cents which he never expects to be recovered	62.00
One Debt of \$21.25 which he does not expect can ever be collected	21.25
One Debt of \$20 which he Expects will be collected	20.00
One saddle worth about	14.00
A few Taylors tools worth not more that 1\$	<u>1.00</u>
	\$168.25

And he further stated upon his oath that he is a Taylor by trade, but cannot labour at his business well, owing to a defect of sight. That he is a single man & never was married. [signed] John Bryant