

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Chambers S35834

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United States of America } Ss.
Indiana District }

Be it remembered that on the twenty ninth day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen, personally came before me the undersigned Judge of the District Court of the United States in and for the said District, John Chambers, of the county of Gibson, State of Indiana, who being duly sworn, declareth and saith that he the said John Chambers, on the twenty-eighth day of December, seventeen hundred and seventy six, at the Forks of Cheat, on the Monongahela River, in the State of Virginia, enlisted for the term of three years, in the service of the United States, in the Company commanded by Captain David Scott [pension application S25425], of Colo. John Gibsons [John Gibson S41578] Regiment, of the Virginia line. That he continued in the service, as a private soldier, untill the twenty-eighth day of December, seventeen hundred and seventy nine, when he was discharged at Fort McIntosh, on the Ohio River [at present Beaver PA], by Major Richard Taylor [S46514]; but his discharge being disallowed by Colo. John Gibson, he was retained in service untill the first day of March seventeen hundred and eighty, when, Colo. Gibson being absent, he was honorably discharged, at Fort Pitt, by lieut. Colo. Richard Campbell [BLWt347-450] of the said Regiment. That he lost his discharge many years ago, and has no other evidence in his power of his said services. That he is now in the seventieth year of his age – that affected by the Palsy, he is now deprived of the ordinary use of his limbs, and at times, from the same cause, has been helpless. That he is totally destitute of property, and for many years has been supported by his son, who is a poor man, not having property of the value of more than one hundred Dollars; that he needs the assistance of his country for support, and therefore applies for a pension under the law of Congress Intitled “An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war”

District of Indiana } SS.
Pike County }

On this thirteenth day of February 1823, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the said county, of Pike and state of Indiana John Chambers Seniouir aged seventy four years, resident in Pike county who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: he enlisted in the state of Virginia on the 26th Day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six for the term of three years in the company commanded by Capt David Scott in the regiment commanded by Col. John Gibson of the ninth Regiment of Virginia line continental establishment that he was discharged in the first place on the 28 day of December 1779 by Maj Rich’d. Taylor of the said Regiment and that Col John Gibson took the Discharges from some of the men and continued them in service until the first of march following when he got his discharge from Lieut col Richard Campbell on the first day of march 1780 at Fort Pitt in the state of Pennsylvania and that he made a Decl. on the 29 day of June 1818 for the Purpose of obtaining the Provicion of the act Passed the 18th March 1818 and that he is inscribed as a Private on Pention list Roll of the Indiana agency commencing on the 29th of June 1818 his certificate was given at the war office of the united states the 13th day of July 1819 the number of the certificate

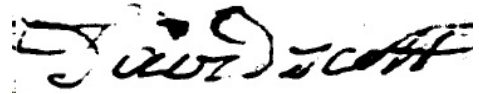
12805 that he has drawn in September the 4th 1819 one hundred and fifteen Dollars some cents and that he has drawn on the fourth Day of march 1820 forty eight Dollars to the payments above stated was paid at Vincennes state aforesaid

And Ido 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. I have the following property to wit one Big Kettle oven Pot, tin Buckett 4 Plates, one glass Tumbler 5 teaspoons one crock and one Tin Pail one puter dish which is all I have – my occupation a farmer but am entirely unable to labour aged seventy four, my wife old and infirm
John Chambers

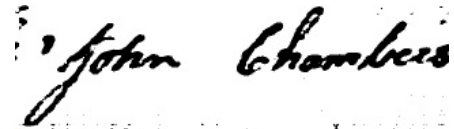
[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I Certify that John Chambers was a Soldier under my Command in the thirteenth virginia regment and served three years and was Discharged by Col John Gipson.

April 10 1806 David Scott



Mr William Rice to let David Scott sen Draw my Land Warrants April 10 1806
john Cochran/ Simon Cochran John Chambers



1784/ No 24[?] A Certificate issued in the name of John Chambers for balance of his full pay as a soldier in the [two undeciphered words] £57.19.3
Land Office [several undeciphered words]

NOTE: A document in the federal pension file states that John Chambers died on 22 June 1824. A 7 Nov 1859 letter on behalf of Rachael Welton, a daughter of John Chambers, states that Chambers had moved to Knox County IN “some fifty years” previously and had died there.