

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Goatley (Goally) S35972 VA
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Commonwealth of Kentucky }
Breckenridge County Sct } [25 July 1818]

John Goatley States and Declares that as well as he recollects in they year 1776 at Alexandria in Fairfax County in the State of Virginia he enlisted under Capt John Allison in the third Virginia Regiment Commanded by Col'n. [George] Gibson in the Continental line to serve for three years that he continued to serve in said Company and Regiment untill his term of service had expired except about fifteen days altho Capt Allison had in the mean time been promoted and the Company was commanded by Capt [Thomas] Hamilton and at Philedelphia when the army was on their march to the South he enlisted under Capt Morrow in the Corpse of horse to serve during the war and did serve in said Company under the Command of Col'n. William Washington untill the end of the war That in Hanover County in the State of Virginia he was taken prisoner by the Brittish and that in endeavouring to make his escape he was wounded and sent to Richmond Virginia where he continued unfit for duty untill the end of the War. That if he ever Rec'd. a written discharge he has lost it That he was never placed on the pention list. and that from his reduced circumstances in life he needs the assistance of his Country for support and that he resides in Brackenridge County of this State. John hisXmark Goally

This day George Pullin [George Pullin (Pullen), pension application W8539] personally appeared before me [Henry P. Brodnax] and swore on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that John Goally served 2 years in Revolutionary war in the same Regiment with himself Given under my hand & seal this 25th day July 1818.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of "An act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th day of May 1828. I John Goatly a resident of Breckenridge County in the State of Kentucky, do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the War and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Capt'n. Morrows Company in Col. William Washington core of Horse. And I also declare that as to the certificate for eighty dollars reward under the resolve of Congress. If I ever received it I do not recollect it.

And further I declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the pention list of the United States I further state that I was inscribed on the pention list on the 9th day of September 1819 and under a cirtificate granted for that purpose on the 4th day of March 1820 I received what I was then entitled to. But being unwilling to render a Schedule of my property and take the Oath [of poverty] prescribed by the Act of Congress of the 1st May 1820 I was stricken off the pention roll or lists. my declaration & accompanying testimony on which I obtained that pention filed in the pention office will shew the proof which I was then able to make relative to my service in the Army of the Revolution

Given under my hand this 21st day of August 1828 John hisXmark Goatley

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Sept 3, 1828

John Goatly, of [blank] in the County of Brakenridge, in the State of Kentucky, has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in captain Morrow's troop in Co. Washington's regiment of Cavalry of the Virg'a. line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th day of May, 1828, on the

pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3d of March, 1826, nothing.

Welshfield July 24, 1847

Sir [James L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions] Your favor of the 20th Inst. is received stating that the name of William Goatly is not found on the roll of pensioners from Ohio. I have to say there is a mistake somewhere as to the name of Mr Goatly, probably with me. The name is John Goatly. You further enquire his residence at the time he was pensioned From the papers and letters Mr Goatly left he probably received his pension at Hardinsburg Breckenridge County Kentucky under the Act of 15th May 1828 And then it seem the pension was discontinued, and again granted by yourself (as I infer from your letter to Mr Goatly dated Mar 24, 1832 requesting him to send his pension certificate to the Department) Some time during the year 1832 but cannot State positively. Mr. Goatly died in Breckenridge Co Kentucky Feb 17, 1842 If I recollect right as to the time of his death, Mrs Elizabeth Goatly survived her husband not quite one year They were married previous to 1794. The children of Mr. Goatly deceased are desirous to know what to do to procure the remnant of any due their mother.

~~Also in the same situation are the children of Simeon Linsly~~

Please direct your answer if you see fit to answer to Welshfield Geauga Co Ohio

I am very Respectfully/ Your Obedient servant/ A H Thrasher

NOTE: Among [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) is a document relating to John Goatley, but in the online image the only legible words are "in the 3^d Regiment Light Dragoons." On 18 Nov 1828 Goatly applied for bounty land.