

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Johnson (Johnston) S36024

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Ohio County Sct.

Moses Johnston states and declares that in the year 1777 at Winchester in the State of Virginia he enlisted under Captain Morgan Alexander in the 2nd Virginia Regiment in the Continental line to serve during the War, & that he served [words written over and indecipherable] in the year 1780 when he hired a certain Henry Parish as a substitute to serve during the war for him and that he was then at Newark in New Jersey discharged by General Woodford [William Woodford]. That he has lost his discharge – that he knows of no person in the country by whom he can prove his service – that he was never placed on the pension list and that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support.

S/ Moses Johnston, O his mark

[Attested July 13, 1818 in Ohio County Kentucky]

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State of Kentucky Ohio County Hartford

This day Abraham Lindsey¹ personally appeared before me one of the Circuit Judges in & for the state aforesaid and swore on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that Moses Johnston enlisted under Captain Alexander in 1775 and served one year in the 2 Virginia Regiment belonging to the Continental line with himself and that after the year expired, he the said Johnston enlisted again for 3 years. Given under my hand & seal this 13th day of October 1819.

S/ Henry P Brodnax

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7th of September 1814

Upon the application of Moses Johnson, I do Certify that he served in my Company in the Revolutionary War, and in the 2nd Virginia Regiment, and that he always behaved himself as a Brave Soldier, given under my hand this day above written.

S/ Marquis Calmes²



¹ [Abraham Lindsey S36043](#)

² [Marquis Calmes S12674](#)

N. B. Moses Johnston enlisted for 3 years excluding of the first year which he served in Virginia.
S/ M. C.

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State of Kentucky Muhlenberg County Sct.

Isham Browder³ this day personally appeared before me Robert Glen a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath that he was acquainted with Moses Johnston in the revolutionary war and served with him in the same Regiment first commanded by Alexander Spotswood and lastly by Christopher Phebigger for three years that when he the affiant was discharged he left said Johnston in the service that said Johnston was in the Second Virginia Regiment on the Continental line. Given under my hand this 19th day of October 1819

S/ Robert Glenn, JP

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Ohio County Sct.

On this 13th day of November 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record to wit a County Court held for said County of Ohio Moses Johnson aged 71 years resident in the County aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows as a private first in Calmes'es Company then in Captain Cattels Company then in Francis Taylor's Company in the 2nd Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Spotswood then by Colonel Frebeeker [Christian Febiger] of the Continental establishment 3 years in said Regiment and one year previous, in all 4 years. That his original declaration was made on the 13th day of July 1818 and that he was placed on the pension list Roll of the Kentucky agency at \$8 per month by Certificate bearing the 15th day of February 1820 and has not as yet received any part of his pension except up to the 4th day of March 1820. And 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons 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

To Wit

one mare & colt	\$60
for Cows & calves value	40
20 Hoggs	30
5 head of sheep	10
one Still	<u>30</u>
	\$170

That he is by occupation a farmer but able to labor but little owing to his age and a rupture in his abdomen that he has no children residing with him and has no family except himself and wife who is about sixty-six or seven years of age.

S/ Moses Johnson, O his mark

[p 3: On June 2, 1834 in Lawrence County Illinois, the veteran applied for the transfer of his

³ [Isham Browder W1133](#)

pension benefit to the Illinois agency stating that he had moved to Illinois to be with his children who live in Illinois and he wishes them to take care of him the remaining days of his life. He signed this document Moses Johnson, X his mark]

[p 29: On October 22, 1836 in White County Illinois the veteran applied for a new pension certificate having delivered his original one to William S Hay for safekeeping and his not seeing it since. He signed this document Moses Johnson, X his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 13, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I Moses Johnson aged 84 years 7 months to upon oath testify and declare that in December 1777 I enlisted in the Army of the Revolution for during the War, under Captain Marcus Calmes in the 2nd Virginia Regiment and served therein until the end of the War, when I was regularly discharged, having served four years and nine months.

Sworn to and subscribed this 13th day of October 1832

S/ Moses Johnson, X his mark