

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Mountjoy<sup>1</sup> S36175

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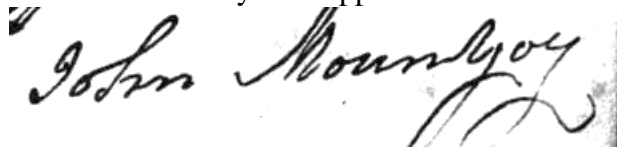
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State of Kentucky Pendleton County: June Term

On this the 15th day of June 1818 before the County Court of the County aforesaid personally appeared John Mountjoy Senior aged 75 years resident in Pendleton County and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by 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

That he the said John Mountjoy entered into the Continental Service as a Captain in the 10th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens] on the 14th day of January 1777 and in September 1778 was returned a supernumerary and returned home until wanted. That he had received his appointment in October previous to the date of his joining the Regiment and was employed until the 14th of January in recruiting the Regiment – which was recruited for three years, and that he has received his bounty land and he has his Commission now in his Possession which is shown and that from his age and reduced circumstances he stands in need of the assistance of his Country for Support.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Mountjoy". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The name is written in a fluid, connected style typical of the early 19th century.

Sworn to and Declared and subscribed this June 16th 1818

S/ Robt Taylor

[fn p. 7: Reuben McCarty testified on July 2, 1849 in Pendleton County Kentucky that Captain John Mountjoy died the last of February or first of March in the year 1826 [last digit written over and unclear could be basically anything]; reference is made in the file to the children of the veteran but they are not named in no other information is given about them.]

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt1355-300—Capt. Issued Feb. 26, 1793. Also recorded as above under BLWt2492. No Papers

# IN CONGRESS!

The DELEGATES of the UNITED STATES of *New-Hampshire, Massachusetts-Bay, Rhode-Island, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina, and Georgia,* TO *Mr. Mountjoy Esquire*

WE, reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Patriotism, Valour, Conduct and Fidelity, DO, by these Presents, constitute and appoint you to be a *Captain in the 10th* Virginia Regiment

in the Army of the United States, raised for the Defence of American Liberty, and for repelling every hostile Invasion thereof. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the Duty of a *Captain* by doing and performing all manner of Things thereunto belonging. And we do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under your Command, to be obedient to your Orders as a *Captain* And you are to observe and follow such Orders and Directions from Time to Time, as you shall receive from this or a future Congress of the United States, or Committee of Congress, for that Purpose appointed, or Commander in Chief for the Time being of the Army of the United States, or any other your superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, in Pursuance of the Trust reposed in you. This Commission to continue in Force until revoked by this or a future Congress.

DATED *at the fourteenth day of January A. D. 1777. Twenty seven* By Order of the CONGRESS,

ATTEST. *Edw. Thomson Secy*

*John Hancock* PRESIDENT.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing June 15, 1818 for one-year & 10 months service as a Captain in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 7-page file

I do hereby Certify that Captain John Mountjoy joined the 10 Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment about the beginning of the Spring 1777 & I so imagine he must have been appointed in the fall of 1776. Given under my hand this first day of Me 1799.

S/ Lewis Willis, Lieutenant Colonel 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment

I do certify that I was appointed a Lieutenant in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment in the month of November 1776 & that the 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> regiments were raised at same time therefore suppose Captain Mountjoy must have received his appointment as early if not earlier than I did first May 1799

S/ Abram Maury

I do Certify that I was well acquainted with the within named Captain John Mountjoy and know that he served as stated in the within Certificates in the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Continental Regiment. He became a supernumerary in the fall of 78 but I do consider him in service until the Close of the War and entitled to all the bounty land due to officers who entered into service no earlier than he did.

S/ John Nelson, Captain 5<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment  
6<sup>th</sup> August 1799