

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Johnson (Johnston) S36642

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To the Hon. John C Calhoun Secretary of the Department of War of the United States –  
I Alfred Metcalf Circuit Judge of the fifth Judicial District of Kentucky & sole Judge of the Bullitt Circuit Court in said District, do certify that this day Isaac Johnson came before me and made oath that he is a citizen of the United States & a resident of Bullitt County aforesaid, that in the spring of the year 1779 he enlisted as a soldier in the Army of the revolution to serve during the war in Capt. Jacob Springer's Company in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line on Continental establishment commanded by Col. John Gibson; that soon after his enlistment he was appointed a corporal and served as such for about eight months when he was appointed a sergeant, and served as such 'til the end of the war in 1783, when he was regularly discharged; but his discharge is lost or worn out or destroyed; that he does not know any person by whom he can establish the fact of his service as aforesaid except John Harrison whose certificate is hereto annexed; that he is nearly 70 years old, feeble & infirm; that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support; & that he has never been allowed any pension under the laws of the United States.

I do further state that I know John Harrison, whose certificate is hereto annexed; that he lives in Jefferson County a considerable distance from this place; that he is an old & infirm man not able to travel any considerable distance without great inconvenience; and that I believe that the signature to the said certificate is the proper hand writing of John Harrison. Given under my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1818

S/ Alfred Metcalf

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I John Harrison of the County of Jefferson and State of Kentucky Do Certify that Isaac Johnson Served as a Sgt. in Capt. Springer's Company in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. John Gipson [sic] during the revolutionary war.  
As witness my hand this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818

S/ Jno. Harrison<sup>1</sup>  
Late Lieut. in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virg. Regt.

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<sup>1</sup> probably the same man as [John Harrison VAS1417](#)

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State of Kentucky, Jefferson County to wit

This day John Harrison of Louisville Kentucky made oath before the undersigned a Justice of said County that Isaac Johnston [sic] named in the annexed Certificate of Judge Metcalf served as a Sergeant in Capt. Springer's Company Seventh Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. John Gibson during the Revolutionary War, and that said Johnston was in the said Regiment acting as Sergeant in the month of August 1779 – and served until the discharge of the Army in the summer 1783. The undersigned [paper damaged and part of the word missing] certifies that the said Affiant John Harrison is a Person of Credit & Veracity.

Given under my hand this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of May 1819

S/ J Ferguson, JP JC

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State of Kentucky September Term 1820

Isaac Johnson a pensioner of the United States by Certificate dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1819 at Eight dollars per month came personally into this Court being a Court of Record and delivered a Schedule of his Estate which the Court valued at \$86.50 and to which the said Johnson made oath agreeably to law. Whereupon it is ordered that the said Schedule and oath be recorded and Certified to wit: "On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the said County by the Common Law & statute laws of this State, Isaac Johnson aged Seventy two years residing in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. He entered in Capt. Springer's Company in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment formerly the 13<sup>th</sup> commanded by Col. John Gibson to which Taylor was Major all of the Virginia line on Continental establishment in the spring of the year 1779 viz. 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1779. That afterwards he was sent to Pittsburgh where Col. Broadhead [sic, Daniel Brodhead] of the 8<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment Commanded and attached to the Company of Capt. Samuel Brady and there and in the vicinity of that place he continued to do duty in the line, and during that time he was frequently a considerable distance upon scouting parties against the Indians and did so until the Close of the War. The number of his Pension Certificate is 13,707 and the date of his original certificate was the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ 1818. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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. Two Horses one seven years old the other 15 or 16 years old, 1 old plough, 1 hoe, 2 Cows.

The Declarant is by Occupation a farmer. His wife is 65 or 66 years of age is generally sickly and has been under the care of Physicians for six years, Her health is still declining. He has one daughter living with him, She is married and will shortly leave him. He has one son who will be 21 years of age on the 12<sup>th</sup> of next October, he works for himself and this declarant derives nothing from him.

S/ Isaac Johnson, X his mark

[Facts in file: Veteran died October 21, 1833, place not stated. Except for the family listed in his 1820 application, there is no family data in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 1, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia and Pennsylvania Continental line.]