

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Taylor S37483

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Virginia towit

At a Court held for the County of Harrison on the 22^d day of April 1818 & 42^d year of the Commonwealth Present Daniel Morris, Peter Lynch, Elias Stillwell, James Bartlett, & Edward B Jackson Gentlemen Justices. Before the Court aforesaid personally appeared John Taylor a resident of this County and being duly sworn according to Law upon his oath makes the following declaration in order to procure the provision of the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval force of the united states in the revolutionary war" That he enlisted in the regular army of the united states in a Company commanded by Captain William Riley [sic: William Reily, pension application W26377] of the 4th Maryland Regiment that he served a part of his time under Colo. Samuel Smith [W9303] now a representative in Congress from Maryland he enlisted the year of the battle of Monmouth [NJ, 28 Jun 1778] and fought in that battle and also at Camden [SC, 16 Aug 1780] where he was taken prisoner and kept a prisoner 16 months that he escaped from the prison ship and continued in the service of his country until the peace that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and he has no other evidence in his power of his said services.

Auditor's Office, Annapolis, April 30th 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that John Taylor enlisted as a Private in the Fourth Maryland Regiment, on the Fourth day of May 1778 and on the 16th Aug't 1780 Missing
Thos. Karney/ aud. S.M.

Hardy County Virginia towit

At a Court held for Hardy County aforesaid in the State of Virginia on the 12th day of September 1820.

Present William Heath Jones Green Jacob Miller }
Joseph Williams John Little John Cunningham } Gentlemen Justices
J C Walton David Vanmeter & Jonathan Branson }

John Taylor an applicant on the pension roll who considers himself entitled to a pension under the restrictions of the Act of 1st of May 1820. personally appeared on this 12th day of September 1820. in open Court being a court of record for the said County of Hardy by virtue of the several Acts of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia in such case made & provided. The said John Taylor aged as he Verily believes seventy years resident in the said County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, in the 4th Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Smith in the Company commanded by Captain William Ryley that the date of his original declaration is 22^d April 1818. that the number of his pension List is 10.926. And the said John Taylor did further swear as follows, "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, 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 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 annexed Schedule by me subscribed (which is as follows Schedule of the Estate of John Talor
real estate..... none
personal estate..... none

John hisXmark Taylor September 12 1820"

And further upon oath as aforesaid the said John Taylor says that he sometimes pursued the occupation of a Shoemaker & sometimes that of a farmer and that he is now totally through his great age & numerous wounds received in the said War unable to follow either of said occupations or any other occupation that his family consists of himself & wife & that he lives with his children who are all above twenty one years of age

NOTE: On 20 Aug 1833 John Taylor applied to have his pension transferred to Kentucky, having moved to Boone County because "his son Samuel Taylor with whom he resided was anxious to remove to Kentucky, by whom he was persuaded to accompany."