

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Poor S38314
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Virginia to Wit.

At a court held for Nelson County the 27th day of January 1823. On this 27th day of January 1823 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the said County John Poor aged 72 Seventy two years, resident 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, that he was drafted as a private soldier of the war of the revolution on the continental establishment the twentieth day of March 1781 in the County of Albemarle, and marched from thence to Chesterfield Courthouse where he was allotted to the company commanded by Captain Robert Gamble of the 8th Regiment of the Virginia Line. That he was at the siege of York in Virginia [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], at a skirmish in Georgia near Savanna [skirmish at Sharon GA near Savannah, 24 May 1782], and engaged in an attack by the Indians and having served untill the 5th day of November 1782 and was then regularly discharged by Gen'l. Charles Scott at Cumberland Courthouse in the State of Virginia. That he has lost his discharge by reason of being robbed of his pocket book, in which it was contained

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 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 person 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. That he is by occupation a School master but by his advanced age, and loss of hearing and sight in a considerable degree he is unable to pursue his said occupation so as to make anything thereby. That I have but myself and wife who is aged 72 years and is very infirm, and is not able to render any service, or very little towards her support.

Schedule of Property

1 Mare.	\$15.00
1 Cow and Yearling.	12.—
Provisions on hand.	14.—
1 Cupboard.	2.—
1 Book Case.50
1 Chest \$1— 2 Small Tables \$2—	3.—
½ doz. Chairs.	1.50
1 Saddle & Bridle.	3.—
1 Gun.	2.—
1 Wire Sifter.	1.—
2 Jugs.	1.00
2 Butter pots.	1.00
1 Dish 40¢. 1 Tea pot 40¢.80
2 Bowles 50¢ 1 Pitcher 25¢.75
½ doz Plates 50¢ 4 pewter plates 63.	1.13
½ doz Cups and Saucers.50
½ " knives and forks.	1.00
2 pots, one oven & 1 pr. pot hooks.	4.50
1 wedge 50¢ 1 pr. flat Irons 1\$.	1.50

2 hoes & trivet.	1.00
2 old axes 1.50 1 Chain 1\$.	2.50
1 Coulter 30¢ 1 handsaw \$1.	1.30
2 Augers 50¢.	50
1 Tin Bucket & Coffee pot.	75
Parcel of Books.	3.00
2 Hammers & 1 pr pencers.	50
2 Tubs & 1 Pale.	75
1 Salt Cellar 30¢ 1 Tumbler 17.	47
1 Looking Glass.	25
2 Brushes 50¢ 1 Warter 25.	75
1 Sugar dish 25 1 Bread basket 25.	50
1 Spinning wheel \$1.50 2 pr Cards \$1.	2.50
1 Sugar Canister 30¢ 1 Candlestick 75. . .	1.05
2 Old Barrels 50 1 Tray 25.	<u>75</u>
	\$82.75

[signed] John Poor

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: John Poor, age 30, height 5' 7", brown hair, gray eyes, fair complexion, born in Goochland County, residing in Albemarle County where he was drafted 20 Mar 1781 for 18 months, sized 9 Apr 1781.

On 4 Sep 1847 John M. Harris of Buckingham County stated that he had been a student at John Poor's school, knew his handwriting, and certified the following entry in the family register was in his handwriting: John Poor & his wife Mary was married in February 4th 1774. Eliza Hackett, granddaughter of John and Mary Poor, stated that John Poor died on 2 Mar 1834, and Mary Poor "survived her husband and died on the 10th day of Nov 1833." On 23 May 1855 Elizabeth Hackett, 61, only surviving child of John and Mary Poor, assigned power of attorney to obtain any benefits for her father's service. She stated that her parents had lived in Buckingham County, that her father died on 1 Mar 1834, and her mother died on 15 Nov 1840.