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Pension Application of John Quinn S38322

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Virginia to Wit

At a quarterly court holden for the County of Pittsylvania on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 1818

James Soyars [pension application W6140] of the County aforesaid of lawful age personally appeared in Open Court, and being duly sworn, deposeth and saith. That John Quinn now residing in the said county, served in the Revolutionary War from the year 1776 for about two years with him the said Soyars, as private of the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo Bluford [sic: Abraham Buford], that the said John Quinn has no land nor slaves, is aged and infirm, and depends solely on his labour for support.

And the said John Quinn also appeared in Court, and being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that he enlisted as a private in the year 1776 in Cap'n. James Foster's Company of the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment and served therein until December 1779 when he was regularly discharged at Petersburg. That he will be seventy two years of age the 25<sup>th</sup> of next November, that he is without land or slaves, and has no other means of support but his own labour.

Virginia

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1820, personally appeared in open court John Quinn aged seventy two years, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in Order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the first May 1820 – that he the said John Quinn enlisted for the term of three years on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 1776 in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt James Foster in the Regiment commanded by Colo. Abraham Bluford, in the line of the state of Virginia on continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corp until the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 1779 when he was discharged from the said service at Petersburg in the state of Virginia. that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the affidavit of Maj'r. James Soyars – and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 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 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 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 whatever I am by occupation a planter and farmer and by reason of age and infirmity am unable to pursue it. John hisXmark Quinn

[From [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Pittsylvania County]

To the honourable the Speaker & Members of the General Assembly of Virginia —

The petition of John Quinn humbly sheweth: that he enlisted as a common soldier in the Virginia continental line the 7 day Dec'r. 1776 for three years, which time he faithfully served, & was legally discharged, as appears by a certificate of an Officer of the said line: that he sent his discharge by a Mr. Daniel Thompkins to the Auditor of public accounts for settlement about the 16 Oct'r. 1787 & the said Auditor told the said Thompkins that he was so busy then, that he could not settle the discharge, but that if he would leave the discharge & would call again, he would have it ready, which he did, but when he applied the Auditor told him, the Discharge was lost & could not be found, as appears by the said Thompkins deposition [not transcribed here]: & also by a certificate of the s'd. Auditor, & that before he

could make a second application to the Auditors Office for a liquidation of his Account, the time had elapsed, by which they were impowered to settle those Accounts

Your Petitioner therefore prays that he may have a certificate for the depreciation of his pay as a soldier; & a land Warrant for as much land as is by law given to a soldier serving three years in the continental line & as in duty bound will ever pray &c     John Quinn

I do Certify that John Quin Enlisted as a Soldier in the Continental Army on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of december 1776 for to serve three years which time he faithfully serv'd & was Legally discharg'd, Given Under my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1789     [John L. Crute S24980], Lt.

A rectangular image showing a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to be "John L. Crute".

Nov'r [?] 1790 ref'd to Claims/ reasonable. Special/ pay & depreciation/ reported 17<sup>th</sup> Nov'r

NOTE: Among [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) is petition to John Floyd, Governor of Virginia 1830-1834, but the online images are too fragmented and incomplete for transcription.