

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Scott<sup>1</sup> S38354

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Virginia to wit

At a Court of Quarterly Sessions continued and holden for the County of Powhatan in the State aforesaid at the Courthouse of the said County on the 16th day of April 1818,

On the motion of John Scott of the County of Amelia in this district who is desirous of obtaining a pension from the United States under the 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," approved on the 18th day of March last, it is ordered to be certified that the said John Scott has this day made oath in this court in due form that he entered the service of the United States as an Ensign on the 10th day of February in the year 1781, that he served against the common enemy in the Revolutionary war from that time until the end of the war, that he served in several companies, but lastly, in the company of Captain Henry Moss attached to the 1st Regiment in the Virginia line on Continental establishment; and that he left the service at the close of the war; the fact of his serving as an Ensign at the end of the war was also supported by the oath of William Bentley<sup>2</sup> also a revolutionary officer and the said John Scott further made oath that from his reduced circumstances in life he is in need of assistance from his country for support: In testimony whereof I Thomas Miller presiding Justice or Judge of the County Court of Powhatan aforesaid have hereunto affixed my hand and seal the day and date 1st herein mentioned.

S/ Th. Miller

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I do certify that John Scott is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a subaltern of the Continental line who served to the end of the war.

S/ Thomas Meriwether

Council-Chamber

February 24, 1784

Benjamin Harrison

[note that a warrant dated February 24, 1784 was issued to the veteran back which he was awarded 2666 2/3 acres of land for his service in the revolution pursuant to warrant number 2609]

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Washington County, District of Columbia viz.:

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt819-150

<sup>2</sup> [William Bentley S37745](#)

Be it known that on the 27th day of September 1819 personally appeared the within named John Scott before me, Alexander Kerr a Notary Public for the County aforesaid, duly commissioned & qualified, who made oath in due form of law that he is the person certified within to have served to the end of the War, that he has not received the Land to which he is there stated to be entitled; that he served in various Companies & lastly in Captain Moss' Company of the 1st Virginia Regiment & that he is entitled to what the law allows and Ensign, in which capacity he acted at the close of the war.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my notarial seal, the day and year last above written

S/ Alexander Kerr, Not. Public

Virginia Amelia County to wit

On this 27th day of July 1820 personally appeared before the justices of the peace sitting for the said County of Amelia in Open Court being a court of record for the said County John Scott aged about fifty-eight years resident in said County who being 1st duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows in the 1st Virginia Regiment and line as an Ensign that he entered the service on the 10th day of February 1781 in company commanded by Captain (as well as this declarant now recollects) Nathaniel Read that he was afterwards transferred to the company commanded by Captain Henry Moss the Regiment under the command of Colonel William Davis that he was marched in detachment from Cumberland old Courthouse Virginia on the 14th February 1782 commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Posey of the Continental Establishment to join General Wayne at Ebenezer in State of Georgia that he was in the skirmish near Savannah Georgia and that he continued in the service till the close of the war – that he has heretofore made an application for a pension on the 16th day of April 1818 – that he has received pension under a pension certificate dated the 5th of March 1819 No. 7036

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

Schedule

One horse worth \$50 (money for his purchase still due)	\$50.00
2 cows & 1 \$40 1 sow 9 pigs 7 shoats \$15	55.00
1 desk \$10.03 tables \$5 10 common shares \$3	18.00
one chest 1 loom \$5 two spinning wheels one used flax do \$5	10.00
one pair cotton chards warping bars ? &c	1.00
Crockery ware \$3 spoons \$2 knives and forks \$2	7.00
glass bottles Tumblers jugs and carry bag	5.00
candle molds state and snuffers	1.00
kitchen furniture \$10	10.00
handsaw drawing knife hammer acts dagen plough traces hoes	10.00
one gun \$5 half bushel measure 50cents	<u>5.50</u>

\$172.50

Family

Himself (no particular occupation) two daughters 30 years of age and 26 healthy – one son 19 years of age the only labor – one son Sam about 34 years of age now unfortunately deranged and heavy burden formerly a great support of my family.

Sworn to and declared on the 27th of July 1820 before

S/ Ed Eggleston, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing April 16, 1818, for service as an Ensign in the Virginia Continental line.]