

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Temple S38431

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[f p 8]

The State of South Carolina District of Edgefield: SS

On this twenty third day of July 1818, before me the subscriber, a Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the said district, personally appears John Temple aged sixty years, resident in said district, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:" That he the said John Temple enlisted at Amherst Courthouse in the state of Virginia in the rifle company commanded by Captain Samuel Jordan Cavill or Cabell [Samuel Jordan Cabell] of the sixth Regiment Virginia Infantry shortly after the battle of Bunker Hill [June 17, 1775] and that he continued to serve in said Corps, or in the service of the United States for six years and six months and that he was in garrisoning – [one or more indecipherable words] and until the peace concluded he was discharged from service at Middlebrook state of New Jersey where he had lost his eyesight – that he was in the battles of Amboy [March 8, 1777], Piscataway [June 19 – 26 1777], &c Brandy-wine [Brandywine, September 11, 1777], Trenton [December 26, 1776] at the taking of Burgoyne at Stillwater [October 7, 1777]&c – and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. His discharge having been left in the board of war at Richmond Virginia.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ Jn Simkins, O. E. D.

S/ John Temple, X his mark

State of South Carolina District of Edgefield

On this fourth day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the said District and State John Temple aged Sixty-two years resident on sweet water [Sweet Water] Creek in said district who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, viz.: in the sixth Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Hendricks in Captain Samuel Cavill's Company – That he is now on the pension roll by virtue of the act of the 18th of March 1818 – that his certificate for a pension is dated the 14th day of December 1818, that his pension commenced on the 23rd day of July 1818 and that he has already received his pension from that period until the fourth day of March 1820 – And he does solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the following schedule viz.

one old horse worth about	\$25.00
a skillet and weeding hoe	<u>1.00</u>
	\$26.00

That he is very deaf and defective in his sight, helpless and weak in body that he has neither wife nor children and has to rely altogether on a pension or charity for his support and maintenance.

S/ John Temple, X his mark

[f p. 23: On August four, 1830, the veteran applied for a transfer of his pension payment to the Alabama agency stating that he has removed from South Carolina to Alabama "his son living in Alabama he wished to reside near him as well as to have the company of many of his old companions who reside there."]

[f p 16: On June 11, 1832 in Montgomery County Alabama, the veteran applied for a new pension certificate.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing July 23rd, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]