

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Peter Johnson S38886

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State of Tennessee }
Knox County } On this 30th day of May 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts for the State of Tennessee personally appears Peter Johnson aged fifty eight years resident in the county of Anderson in said State of Tennessee 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 Peter Johnson enlisted in the year 1779 in the state of New Jersey in the company commanded by Captain Michael Rodolph [sic: Michael Rudolph BLWt945-300] of the Light Infantry called Lees legion [Henry Lee’s Legion] – that he continued to serve the United States in said Corps untill the close of the war in 1783 the time for which he inlisted, that he was discharged by Major Agleston [sic: Joseph Eggleston W8687], of said Corps, in the state of South Carolina in Georgetown, the war being at an end. That he was in the battles of Gilford [sic: Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], Eutaw Springs [SC, 8 Sep 1781], assisted in taking six Forts from the British in the South, was at the Seige at Ninety six [SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781]. That he has lost his discharge. That he never has been a Pensioner that he hereby relinquishes all claim to former pensions – that he is in low circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support. And that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. Peter hisXmark Johnson

STATE OF TENNESSEE, } ss. Circuit Court
Anderson COUNTY, } August Term 1820

On this 28th day of August 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said state,) for the said county, Peter Johnston aged sixty two years, resident in the county of Anderson aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. That he enlisted for 3 years service in the Revolutionary war with Capt. Michael Rodolph of the Reg’t. of Light infantry commanded by Col. Henry Lee. That his pension certificate is of No. 15,671 and his original declaration dated 30th May 1818.

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 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 Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

31 Acres of land of the value of.	\$25.
1 Horse beast.	30.
1 Cow and Calf 1 Sow & five shoats.	15.
1 Pot and One Oven.	<u>2.</u>
	\$72

That he has no debts due to him. That he owes \$45 the price of the above named horse. Has a wife aged sixty three years unable to labor. Has three children, One boy aged 15 years old and healthy. Nancy aged 17 years and healthy Peggy aged 20 years and healthy. That both of his girls labor for themselves. That he is unable to labor himself being much afflicted with Rheumatic pains.

Peter hisXmark Johnston

State of Tennessee } On this 27th day of March 1855 personally appeared before me a Justice of the
Anderson County } peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Peter Johnson aged ninety five
years a resident of the County and State aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law declares that he
is the identicle Peter Johnson who was a private in the Revolution and whose name is inscribed on the
pension list of the East Tennessee Agency at the rates of Eight dollars per month to commence the
twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. He states that he has drew his pension
money from said date viz, the 20th May 1818. He also states that he has heretofore applied for bounty
land but never has he received any bounty land under any Act of Congress &c He make this declation in
order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress approved the 3rd of March one thousand eight hundred
and fifty five for bounty land and an increase of pension in mony under all prior acts past for his benefit.
[Power of attorney follows.] Peter hisXmark Johnson