

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Sack S39062

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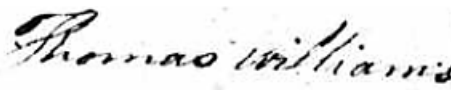
[image 723]

State of Tennessee Robertson County

This day personally appeared Thomas Williams before us John C Straughn and Brooke Duval acting Justices of the peace for said County who made oath that he has been personally acquainted with John Sack since the year 1776 and that said Sack is an Englishman by birth and is by occupation a Weaver, and that he the said John Sack did serve as a regular soldier in the Revolutionary War in Regiment commanded by Colonel Elbert the 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Georgia Continental line for the space of 2 years and more.

Sworn to and subscribed to before us this 21 day of November 1822

S/ Thomas Williams



S/ John C. Straughn, JP

S/ Brooke Duval, JP

[image 712]

The District of West Tennessee

On this 23rd day of January in the year of our Lord 1823 personally appeared in open court, the court of pleas & quarter sessions for the County of Rutherford State of Tennessee the same being a court of record, John Sack aged sixty-nine years & resident in said County of Rutherford, who being first 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 18th of March 1818 & the 1st of May 1820 that the said John Sack enlisted for the term of three years -- in the fall of the year 1776 in the State of Virginia, in the company commanded by Captain Bard in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Elbert in the line of the State of Georgia on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until Savannah was captured,<sup>1</sup> when & where he was taken a prisoner of war & put on board the British prison ship *Betsy*, then by consent of the Captain of said prison ship was allowed to go on board of a British privateer to help her to weigh anchor, most of her crew having deserted, which vessel took him to Sandy Hook, where he was pressed on board the British sloop of war *Hunter*. Then put on board the

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<sup>1</sup> First Savannah December 19, 1778 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/781229-savannah/>

*Vulture*, British sloop of war. Then sailed up the North River, then was put on board the *Rainbow* man of war, about the time of General Arnold's defection, from which vessel he deserted at the Eastern end of Long Island, went to the city of New York then apprehended as a British deserter & compelled to return on board the ship from which he deserted or to enlist as a soldier in the 84th Regiment of the British Army, which last alternative he preferred & embraced. He then embarked with the British Army & landed at Suffolk in Virginia, Where on the second night he deserted & joined the Army of his own Country, then commanded by General Eaton who gave him permission to go to North Carolina, in November, 1781 -- That he was in a battle at Frederica Island. He was in the battles of Amelia Island & Midway Meeting House & at the capture of Savannah, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services excepting his own oath & the affidavit of Thomas Williams. He made a former declaration on 28th August 1820

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 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 having sold his Negro man mentioned in a former declaration for \$250, all of which he has expended for his necessary support excepting \$150, which he has not yet received.

Schedule of John Sack's property

One debt due him of \$150.

S/ John Sack

His occupation is that of a silk weaver & for want of employment in that branch of business as also the from his age infirmities of mind & body, He cannot pursue his business so as to [indecipherable word or words] a necessary maintenance. And he has no wife or children living.

S/ John Sack



[image 724]

State of Tennessee Rutherford County

This day personally appeared Thomas Linville before us Thomas Nash and William Vinson acting Justices of the peace for said County who made oath that he has been personally acquainted with John Sack since the year 1776 and that the said sack is an Englishman by birth and is by Occupation a Weaver, and the said John Sack did serve as a Regular Soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Elbert the 2<sup>nd</sup> of the Georgia Continental line for the space of 2 years and more.

Sworn to and subscribed to before us this 28<sup>th</sup> March 1825

S/ Thos. Nash, JP

S/ Thomas Linville



S/ William Vinson, JP

[image 730: Veteran applied for a new certificate while living in Bedford County Tennessee on March 20 1844.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1825, for service as a private for 2 years in the Georgia Continental line.]