

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Thompson S39104

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State of South Carolina

On this 22nd day of October 1819 before me, the subscriber, one of the Justices of the Court of Equity & of the Court of appeals for the State aforesaid, personally appeared John Thompson age sixty-five years resident in Sumter district and State aforesaid, 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 & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War:" That he, the said John Thompson enlisted for the term of three years on or about the 10th day of June in the year 1777 -- in Chester district in the State of South Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain McClintock [William McClintock] of the Regiment commanded first by Colonel Sumter [Thomas Sumter] & afterwards by Colonel William Henderson in the line of the State of South Carolina on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States until the year 1780 -- in the month of June; when he made his escape from the British at Charleston South Carolina, (in whose hands he was a prisoner until his escape[]) afterward in the year 1783, he got his discharge in Charleston South Carolina from under the hand of Captain Thomas Gadsden of the first Regiment commanded by Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, to which he had been transferred, which discharge he has lost. That he was in the battles of Stono [June 20, 1779], Savannah [September 16-October 9, 1779], and at the siege of Charleston South Carolina [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] & at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781, and that he is in reduced circumstances, & 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, except the affidavit of Captain Baker here with enclosed.

S/ John Thompson



Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thos. Waties, Judge as aforesaid

State of South Carolina Sumter District

On the fifth day of Marched in the year 1821 personally appeared in open Court for the District of Sumter and State aforesaid John Thompson age sixty-six years Resident in said District and State aforesaid who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows under Captain McClintock of the 6th

Regiment of the South Carolina Line in the year 1777 and 1778 and until the Fall of Savannah Georgia in 1779 then transferred to the first Regiment under the command of Thomas Gadson [sic, Thomas Gadsden] until the 12th May 1780 when I was taken a Prisoner where I remained until the 16th of June 1780 when I made my Escape and volunteered under the command of General Thomas Sumter where I remained until the close of the War in the year 1783 when I returned to Charleston South Carolina and received my discharge from Captain Thomas Gadson and which discharge I have lost. That he this Deponent has a pension Certificate from the War Department No. 15722 and 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 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 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

one old Horse	\$0.06 ¼
Seven Head of hogs	13.00
One Bed	5.00
one Pot one Open	3.00
one Table 1 Gun	11.00
Two Plows	5.00
Two Axes	4.00
One Loom	3.00
One Spinning Wheel	4.00
one Coffee pot	1.00
4 cups and saucers	.37 ½
one grubbing hoe	1.00
one set of knives & forks	1.50
4 spoons	.50
5 plates	<u>.50</u>
	\$52.93 ¾

I do hereby certify further on oath that I am a Weaver by trade and never was of any other trade and that I am now 66 years of age and am not able to labor, my wife is now in her 45th year of her age and is in a bad State of health and unable to labor also my wife's son about 19 years of age in a quite bad state of health and has been under a Physician for 2 or 3 years past.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

S/ Israel. G. Mathis, CC S& P

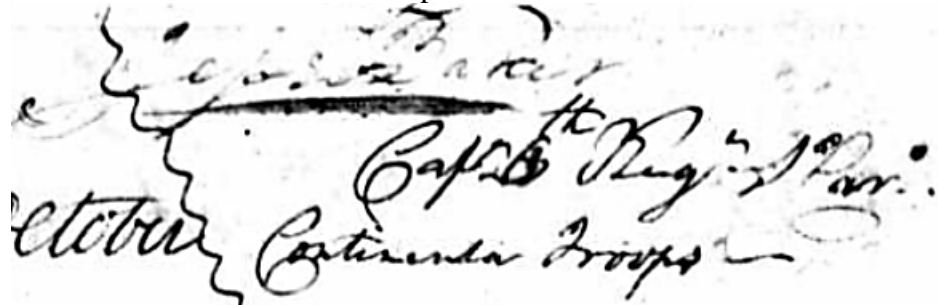
S/ John Thompson

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South Carolina Richland District: I do certify that John Thompson of this State aforesaid was a Enlisted as a soldier in the [indecipherable word] Regiment of South Carolina Continental Troops on or about the 10th day of June 1777 for the Term of [indecipherable word] years and that he Served his time of Enlistment out faithfully as a Soldier and was made prisoner by the Enemy at the fall of Charleston, that is time had not expired at the time of his being taken. Mr. Thompson is a Man about 5'8" high [indecipherable word] hair and fair Complexion a European

by Birth. I do well recognize the person of Mr. Thompson, and [indecipherable word or words] his Service until made prisoner and further saith not -- In witness whereof I have subscribed my name this 18th Day of October 1819

S/ Jesse Baker
Capt. 6th [written over, could be 3] Regt. S. Car^o.
Continental Troops



Jesse Baker
Capt. 6th Regt. S. Car.
Continental Troops

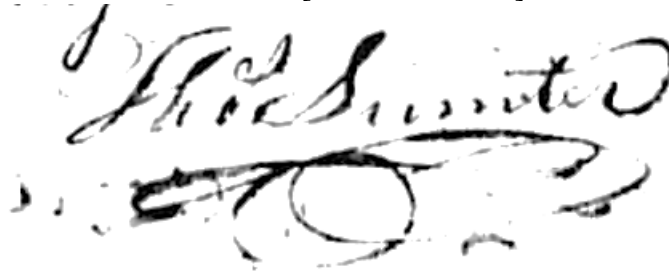
Sworn to before me this 19th October 1819
S/ D. J. McCord, Q. U., Columbia South Carolina

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South Carolina Sumter District
22nd of October

1819 = I hereby Certify that the within Named Jesse Baker was a Captain in the 6th Continental Regiment under my Command in the year 1777 and also part of the year following Which said Regiment was afterwards commanded by Lieutenant Colonel William Henderson – That the facts within stated by said Captain Baker respecting the Military Services done by the within named John Thompson are in my belief Strictly Correct.

S/ Thos Sumter [Thomas Sumter]



Thos Sumter

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 22, 1819, for service as a private for 3 years in the South Carolina Continental line.]