

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Winn S39127

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The State of South Carolina Pendleton District: On this 27th day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court, in the Court of General Sessions of the peace Oyer and Terminer Assize and General Goal delivery being a Court of record for the said District in the State aforesaid John Winn aged seventy-seven years, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision may by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818, and the 1st May 1820, that he the said John Winn in this state, for three years, or during the war, about the month of May 1777 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Moore in the 16th Virginia Regiment, called the Virginia Blues, commanded by Colonel Benjamin Grisham, Scott's Brigade on the Continental establishment; was in the Battle of Brandywine where he was wounded, having his leg broke, was sent to the Hospital at Philadelphia and afterwards removed to Valley Forge where he remained until March following when he joined the 2nd Battalion 16th Regiment commanded by Colonel Gist. Was in the battle of Monmouth. The Regiment to which he belonged with others was ordered and marched to the southward; in passing through Virginia was taken with the measles and left with others sick at Chesterfield Court House in that state. After he became fit for service he joined Colonel Lee's Regiment of Cavalry and was in the battle of Guilford Court House. That he was taken sick a little before the battle at Eutaw Springs and confined to the hospital at Cheraw Hills after which he was discharged from the Hospital and never again joined the Regiment to which he had belonged and never got a regular discharge from the Army.

An original Declaration was made by him as well as he recollects about the month of May 1818 which was sent on to the War Department, to which application he has received no answer. Nor has he received any Pension Certificate.

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 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 as follows, to wit, a 2 gallon pot, small frying pan, small oven, flax wheel, an ax, 3 common chairs, a water pail, 3 tin cups, 6 common spoons, a set, knives & forks, one tin coffee pot, and is indebted in about the sum of \$30. My occupation a farmer, but very infirm and unable to make much exertion for his support. Have no family with me except my wife Anna aged about 84 years who is also infirm and able to do but little. Had my house burned in May 1819 with nearly

everything it contained.

Sworn to and declared on the 27th day of October A.D. 1820 before

S/ Abm Nott, Presiding Judge

S/ John Winn, X his mark

State of South Carolina Pendleton District: Personally appeared before me, Richard Speake¹ who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath saith that in the Revolutionary war he was acquainted with the within named John Winn at the Siege of Ninety Six in the state aforesaid who was serving as a private in one of the Virginia Regiment, after which he saw him in the same service at Sandy River.

S/ Richard Speake

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th of October 1820

S/ Joseph Grisham, N.P.& Ex. Off. J. U. Q.

The State of South Carolina Pendleton District: before me personally came John Winn and made oath that he is the same John Winn who applied for a pension in 1818. This deponent saith that for the last thirty years he has resided in Pendleton district aforesaid – This deponent saith as well as recollection serves him he entered in the year 1777 for three years or during the war as he understood it.

This deponent saith that he left the service by being taken sick and put into the Hospital at Cheraw Hills in this State. This deponent saith that he continued in the Hospital sick until after peace was made. That he was discharged by the keeper of the Hospital and sent home, he was not able to travel when he was discharged he got into Thomas Caradine's wagon who carried him near his Father's – this deponent saith that as peace was made, and as he had helped to gain our Independence he thought there was nothing further necessary for him to do as the Army was disbursed and he expected it would be more trouble to get the balance of his pay that it would be worth and about four years, pay now due him. This Deponent saith he left the Hospital about November in the year peace was made –

This deponent saith, that he has made every exertion in his power to get from the Honorable Elias Earle the original Declaration which was made and sworn to before Chancellor Thompson on the 15th or 16th day of May 1818. This deponent saith from his distance from Thompson, and on account of his wounds & age he is not well able to go to him. He is often from home holding Courts and has not lately been at home that he the deponent knows of – This deponent sayeth he has no horse to ride to see the judge and hopes proof will be received of the time of his original application. This deponent sayeth the reason he did not get Joseph Grisham to attend to his business was that Colonel Earle was then a member of Congress & promised his influence – And after he put his papers in Earle's hand he never could get any information of what was done or instructions how to proceed jail he applied to Joseph Grisham again. Colonel Robert Anderson preferred his assistance & has measurably supported & assisted him for several years.

Sworn to 29th of April 1822 before

S/ Joseph Grisham, Not. Pub. & J. U. Q.

S/ John Winn, X his mark

The State of South Carolina Pendleton District: before me personally came John Winn of Pendleton District aforesaid a soldier of the Revolutionary Army, And made Oath that while he was in the Hospital at Cheraw Hills in this State not very long before the Army was discharged a

¹ [Richard Speake S38395](#)

