

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Clark S39326

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State of Tennessee }

Blount County }

This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1818 before me William Gault one of the Justices of the Court of pleas and quarter sessions and Court of Quorum (the said Court being one of record) for the County and State aforesaid personally appears John Clark aged seventy five years and in his seventy sixth year resident in the County and State aforesaid and upon his oath being by me first duly sworn according to law doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of 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 is that he the said John Clark in the County of Albemarle in the State of Virginia some time in the winter of the year 1777 enlisted a soldier in the regular army of the United States for three years in the Company in said army of one Captain John Marks in the fourteenth Virginia regiment The regiment being commanded by Colonel Davis being a part of the Brigade of General Mullenburgh which said three years he faithfully served the United States against the common enemy and at the expiration of said term of service he was discharged from said service at Fredericksburgh [sic: Fredericksburg] Virginia That he was in the Battles of Brandawine Jermanton Monmouth [sic: Brandywine, 11 Sep 1777, Germantown, 4 Oct 1777, and Monmouth, 28 Jun 1778] and at the taking of Stony Point [16 Jul 1779] and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that his discharge is lost and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his service except the affidavit of David Owens and his own oath that he knows of that he has never been a Pensioner for said service and only claims under the act recited

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year & at the place aforesaid John Clark X his mark

Before me the Subscriber on the day and year and at the place aforesaid personally appeared David Owens a Citizen of Blount County whose credit is good and made oath he knew in Albemarle County Virginia where he then lived in the year 1777 and long before the before named John Clark that he said Clark in the winter of 1777 did enlist in the regular army of the United States for three years and the whole year of 1778 from the 14<sup>th</sup> February until the 14<sup>th</sup> February 1779 he was in the regular army of the United States with said Clark and well believes said Clark did perform the Service by him stated in his declaration and was as he believes a good soldier and further sayeth not

Subscribed & sworn to the date above [signed] David Owen

State of Tennessee towit.

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1821 personally appeared in Open Court, towit the Court of pleas and Quarter sessions of Blount County being a Court of record, expressly made so by the laws of the State of Tennessee and having the power of fine and imprisonment for the said County of Blount, John Clark, aged upwards of eighty years, resident in Blount County State aforesaid, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his Oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, Viz he enlisted under Capt. John Marks, of the 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line; at Charlottesville [sic: Charlottesville], Virginia, the regiment commanded first by Colo Charles Lewis, then by Colonel Davidson or Davisson [sic: William Davies] & lastly by Colo. Samuel Cavill [sic: Samuel Jordan Cabell], as well as he now recolects, that he served three years, being the term for which he enlisted and was honorably discharged at Fredericksburg Va. which discharge has long since been lost or mislaid, that during his service he was in the battles of Brandywine – Germantown and Monmoth and at the taking of

Stony Point besides several skirmishes. That his original declaration was made on or about the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1818 as well as he recolects, that he has received a pension under the Act of Congress of 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 until the passage of the act of Congress of 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 under a pension certificate dated 12<sup>th</sup> January 1819 Numbered 5281 five thousand two hundred and eighty one. And 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 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 person 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 towit, One horse \$60. One horse and saddle \$18.00 three head of Cattle \$12.00 Amounting to ninety Dollars, necessary clothing and bedding excepted.

I am by Occupation a labourer but am entirely unable to labor and have been for many years, my family Consists of myself and my Wife Letitia Clark aged some where about sixty five years, she is as healthy as woman of her age usually are – tho very subject to the Phthysic [sic: phthisic], and not able to labour much.

John hisXmark Clark