

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Crutchfield S39381 VA
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Charles City county State of Virginia to wit

On this 21st day of May 1818 before us the subscribers justices of the peace and judges of the county court of the county aforesaid, personally appears John Crutchfield aged sixty two years resident in the county aforesaid, who being by us first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by a 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 John Crutchfield enter'd the service of the United States in January of the year 1778 in the county of Charles City in the state of Virginia and was march'd to the Valley Forge under the command of Lieutenant Hollman Minnis, and there enter'd the company commanded by Captain Peter Jones of the fourteenth, afterwards the 10th Regiment [by the White Plains arrangement, 14 Sep 1778], that he continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United States, until the 19th day of February 1779 when he was discharged from service in Middlebrook in the state of New Jersey; that he was in the battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], and that he is in reduced circumstances and 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 accompanying affidavits his discharge having long since been lost.

Ch's City county court March 28th 1819

Ordered that it be certified that it appears to the satisfaction of this court that John Crutchfield is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and the said John Crutchfield being call'd into court and being duly sworn doth on his oath say that the 14th afterwards the 10th Reg't was commanded by Col. William Davis [sic: William Davies]

Ch's City County State of Virginia, towit

On this 15th day of June in the year 1820, personally appeared in open Court, John Crutchfield aged sixty four years a resident of the County of Chas Cty and State aforesaid 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 March 1818 and 1st May 1820, that he, the said John Crutchfield enlisted into the service of the U States for the term of eighteen months on the [blank] day of December in the year 1777 in the State of Virginia – that he was stationed with others in Williamsburg (Virginia) then a place of rendezvous for recruits until the month of March 1778, when he marched to the Valley Forge in Pennsylvania under Lt. Holman Minnis. That on his arrival at the Valley Forge, he entered the company commanded by Capt. Peter Jones, in the Regiment commanded by Col. William Davies, it being the 19th [sic] Virginia Regiment on the continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said corps until the 19th of February 1779 when he was discharged from said service at Middlebrook in the State of New Jersey. That he was in the battle of Monmouth, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, other than that heretofore forwarded to the war Department. That for his services aforesaid under the act of 18th March 1818, he rec'd a pension Certificate dated 24th of March 1819, the pension to commence from the 21st May 1818, and numbered (9341).

And in pursuance of the act of 1st 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 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 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 Viz.

Dower estate in 150 acres of land in right of wives being by the laws of Virginia one third thereof viz 50 acres – 4 Iron pots – 2 Iron pot racks and hooks – 1 spider and old Dutch oven without a top & cracked in the side – 2 ploughs – 1 Iron tooth drag – a pair of Iron traces – 1 horse collar of shucks – 1 axe – 2 hilling hoes – 1 grubbing hoe – 1 grass blade – 1 old reap hook – 1 auger – 1 old foot adze – 1 drawing knife – 2 chisells – 5 barrels with heads out – 1 half hogshead – 1 Trowell. – That he is by profession a Bricklayer, but from old age and inability has been forced to abandon that trade. That he now pursues farming, but can work but little – That his wife constitutes the whole of his family except a negro man named David – one third of whose belongs to him a the Dower of his wife. That his wife is about 64 years of age and has been sick for two years and seven months and can only walk on crutches. That David is 56 or 7 years old and wold not now hire for more than thirty dollars, one third of which would belong to the Declarant.

John Crutchfield