

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Barney Johnson: S39783

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DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, SS.

On this twenty sixth day of June, A. D. 1818, before me, Richard Peters, Judge of the District Court of the United States, in and for th Pennsylvania District, personally appeared Barney Johnson of the City of Philadelphia who being duly sworn deposes and declares, that during the War of the Revolution he served against the common enemy as a Fifer in the army on the Continental Establishment — that on the ___ day of A. D. 1776 at Baltimore in the state of Maryland he enlisted in the third Maryland Regiment, commanded by Colonel Guest [sic: Mordecai Gist], in Captain Armitrangs Company, and in the following year he joined the Army of the United States at White Mains in New Jersey, and he continued in the service of the United States until the peace of Eighty three. The said deponent further says that at the battle of Camden [SC, 16 Aug 1780] he was wounded by a British light horseman in the head and was made a prisoner. After six months he was exchanged, and he joined the same regiment at Batimore.

That by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, he is in need of assistance from his country for support, that he never has received, or been allowed any Pension by the laws of the United States—that he is a resident citizen of the United States, and that his Discharge he has lost.

Barney Johnson

District of Pennsylvania SS

Dennis Dunning of the District of Southwark in the County of Philadelphia, being sworn says that he is well acquainted with Barney Johnson, the within named Deponent. The said Barney has been known to the said Dunning since he was fourteen years of age, and he well recollects his having enlisted as a fifer in the third Maryland Regiment, and that he served in the same during the remainder of the war. The Deponent was a Drummer in the first Maryland Regiment. The said Barney Johnson is now in indigent circumstances.

Sworn & Subscribed before me June 26, 1818

Dennis hisXmark Dunning

Auditors Office Annapolis, March 26, 1819

I hereby certify that it appears from the Muster Rolls remaining in the Auditors office that Barnard Johnson enlisted as a fifer in the third Maryland Reg't. on the 18 Feb'y 1778 but it does not appear at what time he received his Discharge.

Thos. Karney, Audt'r. State Md.

Schedule

Eastern District of Pennsylvania SS

On this 30th day of June A.D. 1820. personally appeared in open Court in the District Court of the United States in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (being a Court of record for the said District) Barney Johnson, aged about Fifty years [sic], resident in the County of Philadelphia in the said District, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare - that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, to wit in the year 1776 or 1777 he served under General [William] Smallwood in the Maryland Line in the 3^d Maryland Regiment, and continued with him about two Campaignes. After that he served (in the same Regiment) under General [Horatio] Gates, and then under general [Nathanael] Greene. - he continued in service till the end of the War and then was discharged. he received a Wound in the Head at Camden. He has received a Pension under the Act of Congress of 18 March 1818 by Certificate No 8931.

I the said Barney Johnson 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 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.

Real or Personal Estate - I have none, except a few Articles of Household Furniture not worth more than Ten Dollars. the greater part was seized and sold some time ago for Rent.

I have a Wife, but no Children - when I was able I drove Cart, but of late from the effect of the Wound on my head I have been unfit for any work

Barney Johnson

NOTE: On the pension certificate is the following: Death - AB [Account Book] Nov. 10, 1820.