

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Overstreet S40231

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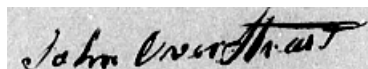
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State of Ohio Lawrence County – Court of Common Pleas June Term June 1818

This day personally appeared before me John Thompson, Presiding Judge, and President of the Second Circuit of said State of Ohio, John Overstreet of said County of Lawrence, and for the purpose of obtaining the benefits of a law of the United States entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War:"

The said John Overstreet, makes the following declaration, and on his Oath says, that he entered the service of the United States as a private Soldier sometime in September A.D. 1775, for one-year service as an enlisted Soldier, in Captain William Campbell's company in the first Virginia Regiment then commanded by Colonel Lewis & Lieutenant Colonel Christy [William Christian?] and that he continued to discharge his duty faithfully with said Regiment until the 22nd day of September A.D. 1776, at which time he was discharged at Williamsburg in Virginia, as will appear by his discharge here with presented – That on or about the first of January 1777 he again enlisted as a private soldier for the term of three years in Captain George Lambert's Company, Colonel William Davis' Regiment, 14th Virginia Regiment, afterwards consolidated with the first Virginia Regiment, and believes then known by the name of the "first and 14th Virginia Regiment" and that he continued to discharge his duty faithfully as a private Soldier up to the first day of January 1780, at which time he was honorably discharged at Philadelphia, he being then detached from said Regiment under his then Captain Nathan Reed, his former Captain, (George Lambert) having been previously cashiered for unofficerlike conduct. That his discharge was signed by said Captain Nathan Reed, and Colonel Webb – And the said John Overstreet further saith, that during the time aforesaid he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Germantown [October 4, 1777], the Regiment being then and there commanded by said Colonel Lewis, and the said Lambert his Captain. That he was at the Storming of the Fort at Stony Point [July 16, 1779], under General Wayne – the company then being commanded by said Lambert. That he was also in the Battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], where the same Colonel Davis commanded the Regiment and the same Lambert commanded the company – That after receiving his discharge, (which discharge he lost) he volunteered to serve at the siege of York, at which siege he remained before the enemy's lines until the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. And the said John Overstreet further saith that from his age and reduced circumstances he absolutely needs the assistance of his country for his support.

S/ John Overstreet



Sworn to & subscribed before
me at Burlington Lawrence
County 2nd Circuit
John Thompson
June 16th, 1818

The State of Ohio Lawrence County: SS: Court of, and Please August Ter

On this 9th day of August 1820, personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record for said County John Overstreet, aged sixty years, a resident of said County and being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows –

That he enlisted under Captain George Lambert in the 14th Virginia Regiment, for the Term of three years, and faithfully discharged his duty for his Term of service and was honorably discharged at Philadelphia in January 1780. Captain Nathan Reed commanding the Company in which he was enlisted at the time of his discharge, which services are more fully set forth in his former declaration on which he has received a pension certificate Numbered 11561 –

And I the said John Overstreet do furthermore 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 –

– Schedule –

| | |
|---|----------------|
| 1 Cow + calf taken in Execution | \$ 12.00 |
| 1 Sow + 2 Shoals | 4.00 |
| 2 Pots | 3.00 |
| 4 or 5 old plates 1 dish, 1 or 2 knives + forks | 1.50 |
| 1 Hoe @ .50 one felling axe 1.50 | 2.00 |
| 1 Hand axe 1.00 1 drawing knife .50 | 1.50 |
| 1 Spinter | .50 |
| 1 Auger 1 Grage | 1.00 |
| | <u>\$25.50</u> |

I am indebted above \$100 and have not the means to pay those debts.

S /John Overstreet

And I the said John Overstreet do furthermore solemnly swear, that my occupation is that of a common laborer, that I have a wife above sixty years of age to support and have no other person in my family, and that from the infirmities of age and injuries sustained by my sufferings while a soldier I can do but little to provide myself and wife with a support from day to day.

S/ John Overstreet

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State of Illinois Sangamon County: SS

On this the 19th day of June 1827 before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for the

said County of Sangamon personally appeared John Overstreet who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by George Lambert in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis in the Army of the Revolution, that his name was placed on the pension Roll of the State of Ohio from whence he has lately removed that he now lives in the State of Illinois where he intends to remain and wishes his pension to be there payable in future and that his reason for removing to the State of Illinois is that he is getting old & infirm & wishes to settle himself among his children who have previously emigrated to the said State of Illinois.

S/ John Overstreet

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 16, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do Certifiethat John Overstreet soldier in the 10th Virginia Regiment Enlisted in the Continental Army the first day of January 1777 to serve three years and having served Faithfully served the Term of his Enlistment is hereby Discharged

Given at Philadelphia this first day of January 1780

signed

S/ Nathan Reed, Captain

10th Virginia Regiment

John Webb Lieutenant Colonel

5th Virginia Regiment

A Copy

C/ Col? Roberson

Clk

I Certify that the within is a true Copy of John Overstreet was his Discharge signed by Lieutenant Colonel John Webb of the 5th Virginia Regiment

S John Dandridge

Captain Artillery

I do Hereby Assign over to Robert Rankins, my rights, Titles, Claims & domains against the United States for serving the term of 3 years as specified within this discharge – he the said Rankins having made me full satisfaction for the same. Given this [illegible] Day of April 1783.

A Copy William Lane [illegible]

S/ Jno Overstreet