

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Legg S41758

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The State of Ohio Champaign County: SS

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May A.D. 1818 before me the Subscriber one of the Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Ohio Personally appears John Leg aged sixty-three years resident in the County & State aforesaid who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by 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 the said John Leg on or about the fourth day of July in the year of our Lord 1776 enlisted in the Army of the United States in the Company of Captain John Blackwell belonging to the third Virginia Regiment in the Virginia Line commanded by Colonel \_\_ Neville on the Continental Establishment & that he continued to serve as a private soldier in the Army of the United States until the end of the Revolutionary war when he was discharged from service at Bunkers Hill in the State of Massachusetts that he was in the Battles of Charlestown [presumably the siege of Charleston South Carolina in being in the surrender of that place May 12, 1780] & Stony Point [July 16, 1779] in the former of which he was severely wounded & that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Leg, X his mark

Pleas before the Honorable Joseph H Crane Esquire President & his Associate Judges of the Court of common pleas for the County of Champaign & State of Ohio at the August Term 1820 –

On the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 personally came into the court of Common Pleas of Champaign County in open court the same being by the Constitution & laws of the state a court of Record for said County I John Legg aged sixty-six years Resident in said County who being first duly sworn deposeseth & saith that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows to wit in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Neville in the company of Captain John Blackwell that under the act of 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 he made his application to be placed on the pension Roll dated the 21<sup>st</sup> May 1818 & received a pension certificate dated 14<sup>th</sup> July 1819 & numbered 12367 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 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 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, also I further declare that I have no trade other than that of a husbandman & that by reason of age & a wound I have received many years since in my right wrist & hand am unable to labor, my family consist of a wife aged 55 years who can labor but little at spinning & one son aged twenty years who is able to labor but who will soon be of age & who is by occupation a farmer. The following is a list of my property to wit real estate none two cows, debts due to me none debts due & owing by me \$100, 7 small hogs which ran away last spring & I have not been able to get them, one chest, small wheel, half dozen plates, half dozen cups & saucers, 3 chairs, one table, 4 knives & 3 forks, 2 saddles, one plow, 2 pots, one oven, one skillet, to Bed stands, one pair gears, one ax, & one bridle. Sworn to and declared in open court on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 before the Honorable Joseph H Crane Esquire Presiding & his associate Judges in said court.

S/ John Legg, X his mark

State of Ohio Ross County: SS

Be it known that Elijah Leg personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid and made oath that John Leg served in the Revolutionary War near about seven years. That he enlisted under Captain John Blackwell of the third Virginia Regiment. That this Deponent well recollects his going nearly thirty miles with the said John Leg when the troops were on their way from the Northward to Charlestown – that the said John Leg did not leave the Army until close or nearly the close of the war – That the said John Leg is now about sixty-six years old – that he came home wounded from the Army and is in needy circumstances.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24<sup>th</sup> May 1819

S/ Levi Belt, JP

S/ Elijah Leg

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elijah Leg". The signature is written in dark ink and is somewhat stylized, with a large initial 'E' and a long, sweeping tail for the 'g'.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 21, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to John Legg S41758

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 25 Aug 2020.

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

Prince William Court May 5<sup>th</sup> 1783.

on the motion of Philip Daw Assignee of John Legg it is ordered to be certified to the Register of the Land Office that the said John Legg was a Soldier in the third Virginia Regiment of this State for three years served his time of enlistment duly & was entitled to the Lands for the Service by the resolve of Congress & Acts of Assembly of this State.

Copy/ Robt Graham Cl.