

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Poe S41962

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District of North Carolina—SS

On this Ninth Day of May 1818, before the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States for the District aforesaid, personally appeared David Poe, aged Sixty years, resident of Chatham County in the said District, 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 & naval service of the United States, in the revolutionary war:" That he the said David Poe, in the year 1776, or 1777, enlisted as a private soldier, in the company commanded by Captain James Emmitt [sic, James Emmett], in Chatham County aforesaid, of the 3rd Regiment, in the North Carolina line on the Continental establishment, in the war of the revolution, for the term of eighteen months, which term he served out, partly under the said Captain & partly under another Captain, he thinks Captain Cradock [probably Capt. John Craddock]-- That he then continued in said service under the latter Captain, for twelve months longer, making in the whole lay service of two & an half years; all which time he served faithfully, that fell into the 2nd Regiment; & was discharged regularly, on or near the North River, in or about the year 1779, but has lost his discharge -- That he was in no general battles, but was in several skirmishes, near the White Plains -- and that he is in reduced circumstances, & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year aforesaid.

S H. Potter, JDUSNC

S/ David Poe, X his mark

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United States -- North Carolina District

Joseph Johnson,<sup>1</sup> of the County of Chatham and District aforesaid, maketh oath, That he is well acquainted with David Poe, now present as an applicant for a Pension -- that he knew him previous to the Revolutionary War & knew him in the service of his Country in the war aforesaid, he the deponent having served in the same line. Deponent frequently saw him in said service in the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment in the war of the revolution, against the common enemy and he verily believes that said Poe served Nine months & more as a soldier in said service -- Deponent saw him in said service in the year 1777 & 1778.

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<sup>1</sup> [Joseph Johnson S7093](#)

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 9th May 1818  
S/ H. Potter, JDUSNC

S/ Joseph Johnson



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State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 25th of December 1818

I do hereby certify that it appears from the muster roll of the North Carolina Continental line, that David Poe a private in the 10th Regiment was in the service on the 15th of May 1776 for 2 1/2 years and was discharged on the 10th of November 1778.

Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

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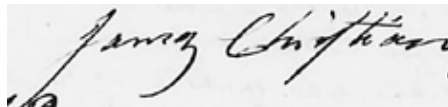
State of North Carolina Chatham County: This day appeared before me Francis Drake one of the acting Justices of the Peace for the State & for the County aforesaid James Christian<sup>2</sup> who maketh oath that he is now and was acquainted with David Poe during the war of the Revolution; that he knew of the said Poe having enlisted under James Emmet Captain in the 3rd Regiment of the North Carolina Continental line; that he believes the said Poe marched from Chatham NC to Wilmington NC and then to Charlestown and from thence he states he saw the said Poe in Halifax NC in the said service [from] whence he was sent from the said place to Lancaster Pennsylvania to guard the soldiers clothings and after that time he well remembers being with the said David Poe at the Valley Forge on the Schuylkill [River] -- He further states the said Poe enlisted for two years and six months and believes he faithfully served during the said period & that he was honorably discharged -- I further declare that I have no interest in the said Poe securing a pension from Government but believes he is fairly entitled under the act of Congress granting relief of certain officers & soldiers of the land & naval Service -- That he is well acquainted with the said Poe & he believes he is in reduced circumstances of life and stands in need of his Countries assistance for Support.

Given under my hand & seal this 10th November 1818

Sworn to & subscribed before me

S/ Francis Drake, JP

S/ James Christian



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 9, 1818 for service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

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<sup>2</sup> This MAY be the same James Christian who was pensioned as an invalid under the early acts granting pensions to soldier wounded in service and whose papers were destroyed in fires in the early 1800's. [Joseph Johnson S7093](#)  
That James Christian appears to have been a resident of Cumberland County, NC.