

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Sanders (Saunders) S42246

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The Declaration under Oath of John Sanders formally a Soldier engaged in the Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War, now a Citizen of the United States and resident of the City and County of New York, respectfully sheweth,

That the said John Sanders sometime in the year 1777 he entered into the Army of the United States on the Continental establishment as a private in the first Regiment of Artillery of the Virginia Line commanded by Colonel Charles Harrison in which he served three years in the Company of Captain William Browne. That he received an honorable Discharge for faithful service in the spring of the year 1780

And the declaration further sheweth, that the said John Sanders is now a citizen of the United States, resides in the city of New York, and is, by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support

That he gave his discharge to one Seth Tuttle in the 26<sup>th</sup> of February last as appears by the annexed receipt & has not yet been able to get the same returned to him

Therefore the said John Sanders conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of Congress 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," approved 18th of March, 1818 and requests your Honor would examine into the truth of the matter aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in the case, and the proceedings had their upon, to the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case made and provided. And in support of the facts above set forth, the said John Sanders refers to the following deposition of William Chivvis

[indecipherable word] March 31, 1818

S/ John Sanders, X his mark

City and County of New York, SS William Chivvis<sup>1</sup> of the said City of New York being sworn, saith, that he is well acquainted with John Sanders the applicant above named That he knew him in the service of the United States during the Revolutionary War and that the facts set forth in the preceding declaration are Substantially true

S/ Wm Chivvis

New York City February the 26 1818

Received of John Sanders his Discharge from the US in the year 1780 to obtain the land warrant that may be due him for 3 years services that he served or returned to him the same after inquiry

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<sup>1</sup> FPA S44751

S/ Seth Tuttle

N 9<sup>th</sup> Chavey St.

New York Mayor's Court

In the Court of Common Pleas called the Mayor's Court of the City of New York, held in the City-Hall, in and for the said City, before the Judges of the said Court, of June term, in the year of our Lord 1820

Present the Honorable Peter A. Jay Esquire Recorder

City of New York, SS **Be it remembered**, that on the 19th day of June in the year of our Lord 1820 personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the city of New York, in open court, the said court being a court of record for the City and County of New York, according to the charter of the said City and the laws of the State of New York, John Saunders aged sixty-three years resident in the City of New York who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: I enlisted a private in Captain Wm Brown's [William Brown's] company of the first Regiment Artillery of the Virginia line in the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Charles Harrison in the State of Maryland some time in March in the year 1777 for three years. I was at Fort Thomas [?] at the [indecipherable word or words] was in several skirmishes was at the battle of Monmouth [Monmouth, June 28, 1778] under General Washington. Was discharged at Philadelphia honorably the 20th day of December in the year 1780

And that his original declaration is dated the 29th of September 1818 and that his pension certificate is No. 3097 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, to wit: Real estate none Personal Estate known. I have no trade, work as a laborer when able being afflicted with the rheumatism and very decrepit I am unable to work I am a citizen born and then I have been out of the United States have been supported by public charity 4 years until I received my pension amount of my property as follows I have no children with me, my wife aged 56

6 common chairs at 2/	12 0
1 table at 8/	9 0
one pair andirons	6 0
Shovel & tongs	4 0
two chests at 4/	8 0
one teakettle & pot	8 0
Frying Pan	4 0
Small Stand [illegible]	3 0
Buck & Saw	8 0
	<u>8 0</u>
	£3.1.0

Sworn in Open court this 19 June 1820 before me

S/ Benj. Ferris, Clk

S/ John Saunders, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 31st, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]