

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Johnson S46091

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14 DISTRICT OF Pennsylvania, ss.

On this first day of June 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the court of Common Pleas of Fayette county in the said district, personally appeared Joseph Johnson aged [blank] years, resident in Fayette 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 and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he, the said Joseph Johnson enlisted for the term of three years on the first day of March in the year 1777 in Anarundel [sic: Anne Arundel] county in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Wattkins of the fourth Regiment commanded by Colonel Stewart [see endnote] in the line of the State of Maryland on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the about the 1st of Nov'r. 1780, when he was discharged from service in New Jersey that he was in the battles of Snow Hill on the Eastern Shore Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] under Capt Oldam [probably Edward Oldham] & the revolt in Jersey, and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Joseph hisXmark Jonston

Auditor's Office, Annapolis, April 28th 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Joseph Johnson enlisted as a Private in the Fourth Maryland Regiment, on the First day of March 1777 and was discharged on the First of Nov'r. 1780. Thos. Karney/ Aud. S. M.

Fayette county in the state of Pennsylvania Ss Fourteenth Judicial district [10 July 1820]

Personally appeared in the open court of common pleas of Fayette county aforesaid it being a court of record Joseph Johnston aged 65 years resident in the said county who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. That I enlisted under Captain Olden. That I was in the battle of Utau Springs [sic: Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781], Staten Island [22 Aug 1777] and Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] &c in the Fourth regiment Maryland line, under the command of Colonel Steward. That the date of his original declaration is the 8th day of November eighteen hundred and eighteen, and the number of his pension certificate is No 12.425

And now in pursuance of an act of Congress of the 1st day of May 1820 I do 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.

That I am entirely destitute of all real and personal property whatever

Joseph hisXmark Johnson

That I am by occupation a labourer and that I am not able through Rheumatick Pains and Phthisick to gain my support thereby. That I have no wife or family

NOTE: The only Col. Stewart of the Maryland Line was John Stewart, who was not promoted to Colonel until 10 Feb 1781.