

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Piper S5932

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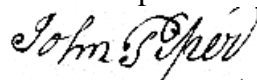
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State of Virginia County of Frederick SS

On this 7th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the County of Frederick, John Piper resident of the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia aged seventy-two years, who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States early in the year 1779 in Loudon [Loudoun] County with a man by the name of Reed, and served in the first Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers viz. Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Crockett commanded the Regiment, who with Major George Walls, were as well as he recollects the only field officers the company was commanded by Captain John Chapman, the subalterns were Lieutenant Daniel Anderson and Ensign Rice Bullock. In the spring of the year 1779 he marched with a party of men from Leesburg in Loudoun County to the County of Albemarle where they joined the first Regiment and Captain Chapman's Company and where there were a number of prisoners, that had been taken under General Burgoyne – that they continued at Albemarle until the fall of the said year, when they marched from thence with the Prisoners to Fredericktown in the State of Maryland, where they continued about 2 months – during the time they continued at Frederick town there Lieutenant Anderson was cashiered – they then marched from Frederick town when they left the Prisoners in charge of other troops, to the Shepherdstown in Virginia, where they also continued about two months – from thence they marched by Braddock's old road to the foot of Laurel Hill, and from thence leaving Braddock's Road to a place called the New Store on the Monongahela River between Redstone old Fort (now Brownsville) where they stayed some time, they left there in July and went down to the falls of Ohio on the way a little below Pittsburg they were joined by General Clark [George Rogers Clark]. They arrived at the falls of Ohio in August and continued there until December 1781 when he was discharged. He gave his discharge to Mr. Robert Rutherford many years ago when he was a member of Congress, and never got it back during the time they lay at the falls of Ohio Captain Chapman was killed by the Indians about four miles from that place.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

S/ John Piper

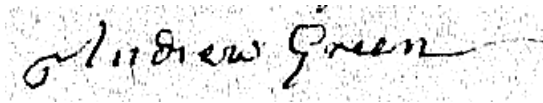


S/ A. Trabue, Clk.

State of Virginia Fauquier County to wit

Andrew Green¹ a pensioner of the Revolutionary War this day personally appeared before me William Gibson a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath that John Piper now present is the identical John Piper who joined the company of Captain John Chapman of the first Virginia Regiment in the year 1779 in the County of Albemarle and State aforesaid, that he served with him and in the same company, and under the same field officers until he was killed at Bare Grass [probably Bear Grass] in the year 1781, and then under In some Rice Bullock until discharged.

S/ Andrew Green



Given under my hand June 13, 1832

S/ Wm Gibson

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 ½ years in the Virginia service.]

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Fairfax County & Commonwealth of Virginia to wit This day came John Wells of the County aforesaid (late of the County of Loudoun) before me Richard Ratcliffe [?] one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid who made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that in the years 1779, 1780 & 1781 he this deponent served in the Army of Virginia raised & went against the Western Indians & served under General Clark & Colonel Joseph Crockett and that John Piper who went from the said County of Loudoun served during the same years & campaign with this Deponent & so continued until they both were [indecipherable word] Discharge from said service. Certified under my hand & seal this 19th day of December 1815

S/ R. Ratcliffe

Frederick Sct. May Term 1816

John Piper personally appeared before the Court of said County held at Winchester and made oath that he enlisted in the service of the State of Virginia in August 1779 & served during the years 1780 & 1781 and was duly discharged in the year 1781 or '82, he was enlisted in Loudoun County into Captain Jno Chapman's Company of Infantry, which belonged to the first Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Crockett & Major George wells; the Brigade was under the command of General George R Clark. I Served in the defense of the Western frontier against the Indians.

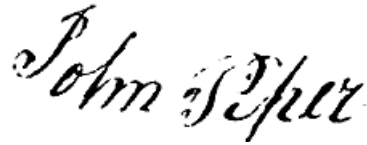
S/ [indecipherable signature]

Dear Sir I send you my certifficate [certificate] acording [according] as you direced [directed] me and I hope you will do all you can for me in gitting [getting] my Land and money if it can be obtained by any means as you are the onely [only] Jentleman [Gentleman] ever don [done]

¹ FPA S37958

anything for me yet it is out of my power to com [come] at my Papers but if you will Please to tak [take] upon your Self to carch [search] the [indecipherable word]² in Counsels office you will find my name on Cornet Frannses Paytons [Francis Payton's] muster role [roll] in August 1779 and on Crocket's 1781 or in 1782 if any Body has got my Land or money Please to let me know hoo [who] has got it if you Shold [should] succede [succeed] in the case be twin [between] this time and your coming [coming] up heare [here] if you shold [should] wright [write] the to your brothe [brother] S. Carson or Mr. G. Willan's Please to menschen [mention] my case in their Letters and deSeare [desire] them to let me know if thee Please
Mr. William Carson Esquar [Esquire]
May 6th 1816

S/ John Piper

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Piper". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Piper".

N. I was discharges [sic] in 1781 or 1782 as I don't remember which but I think it was in 1782 in January.

² Gardner