

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Thompson S6223

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Virginia: Augusta County to wit

On this 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of Augusta County Court now sitting, John Thompson a resident of the County and state aforesaid aged seventy-two years and five months who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the seventh day of June 1832, entitled an act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the revolution. –

That he was born in the County of Derry Ireland on the 1st day of April 1760 as appears by the record mate of his birth in the family Bible, his father and family landed in the city of Philadelphia in the year 1775 and proceeded immediately to the County of Augusta & State of Virginia where declarant now resides and has resided ever since with the exception of about four years when he resided in the adjoining County of Rockbridge.

That he was a drafted militia man and marched from Tea's now the town of Waynesborough in the County of Augusta State of Virginia on the first day of January in the year 1781 under the command of Captain John Cunningham to Fredericksburg in the State of Virginia where the troops to which he belonged rendezvoused three or four weeks, thence he was marched to Portsmouth and transferred to a company under the command of Captain Charles Cameron, Sampson Matthews then of the County of Augusta was Colonel of the Regiment to which declarant belonged upon this tour declarant was absent from home on duty upwards of three months and a half when he was discharged and returned home to the County of Augusta –

Declarant was again drafted in the same year not long after his return from the first tour, for a second tour of three months and marched from Tea's now Waynesborough in the County of Augusta under the command of Colonel Samuel Lewis and Captain Thomas Smith, where the company to which he was attached rendezvoused about three months and was discharged – two or three days before the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. In the two tours which declarant served he was absent from home something upwards of six months though his recollection is not sufficiently distinct to enable him to fix the precise length of time, He has no written discharge nor has he any documentary evidence of any kind to prove the services above spoken of but he expects to have his statement confirmed by the evidence of William Patrick<sup>1</sup> of the County of Augusta who marched with him during the two tours of duty and was with him the whole time with the exception of two or three days when they separated as they were returning home from the last tour.

He would refer to Franklin McCue and Thomas Galbreath for his character as to veracity

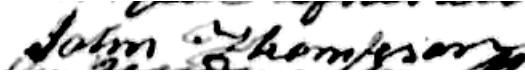
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<sup>1</sup> [William Patrick S5882](#)

and their belief of his revolutionary services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Thompson

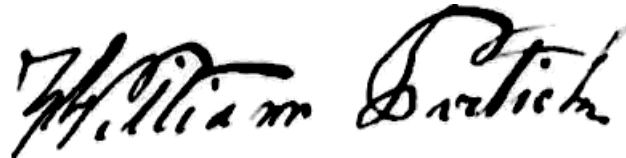
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Thompson".

Augusta County Court September Term 1832

William Patrick the same mentioned in the above declaration of John Thompson for a pension personally appeared in open Court and being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say that he has heard the aforesaid declaration of John Thompson service times read and having served with the said John Thompson in the tours spoken of by him believes that the facts deposed to by the said Thompson are true in fact and substance

Sworn to and subscribed by the said William Patrick in open Court this 29th day of September 1832.

S/ William Patrick

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Patrick".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the Virginia militia.]