

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nahum (Naum) Johnson S7079

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State of Virginia Charlotte County to wit

On this 3rd day of September personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Charlotte now sitting Nahum Johnson a resident of Charlotte County and State of Virginia aged eighty-two years 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 7th of June 1832 in relation to the revolutionary Soldiers. That he enlisted in the regular service about the first day of August 1775 for the term of twelve months being at that time a resident of Amelia County Virginia, John Markham of Chesterfield County was his Captain, William Cunningham of Prince Edward County 1st Lieutenant, Joseph Scott of Amelia 2nd Lieutenant and Tarleton Woodson of Prince Edward Ensign, The Company marched direct to Williamsburg Virginia they there joined the first Virginia Regiment under the command of Colonel Patrick Henry (since Governor of Virginia) he was engaged in no active service at this place – The Company was sent to the Long Bridge to the assistance of General Stevens [Robert Stevens] and arrived there the day after the battle was fought [December 9, 1775] he was then marched to Norfolk and remained there three months and after the burning of Norfolk he was marched to Kemps Landing to give the British an opportunity of landing at Norfolk, they did not land, he was employed at Kemps Landing in various scouting parties sometime in Norfolk at others at Kemps Landing, he was then marched to Williamsburg and reach there the first of August 1776 and was discharged about the first September Captain Markham signed his discharge, which he has since lost he reached his residence in Amelia County Virginia late in September – he was in this service more than twelve months by a few weeks. He was drafted in the Militia for three months about the year 1778 or 79 and marched from Amelia under Colonel Craddock [probably William Craddock] beginning of autumn direct to Cabin Point on James River Major D Clueman [Christian Charles De Klauman Charles Deklaman R13678] was the commanding officer at cabin Point he was a Frenchman. They remained at Cabin Point 5 weeks and having no use for the militia they were disbanded he received no discharge – he thinks he was six weeks in this service, He has no documentary evidence whatever the certificate of Thomas McDeaman accompanying this declaration will prove the first Tour of service he hereby relinquishes every claim 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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Naum Johnson, X his mark

I Thomas McDeaman¹ do hereby certify that I am acquainted with Naum Johnson the applicant and that I was with him in the revolutionary war both of us belonging to the first Virginia Regiment under the command of Colonel Patrick Henry we were together at Williamsburg and at Norfolk when it was burnt I frequently saw Mr. Johnson during this service but did not belong to the same company.

S/ Tho. McDeaman



[Attested September 3, 1832 in Charlotte County Virginia]

State of Virginia Charlotte County, to wit

The amended Declaration of Nahum Johnson a revolutionary soldier – On this 16th day of January 1833, Nahum Johnson personally appeared before me John H Marshall a Justice of the peace in the County of Charlotte & doth upon his oath make the following declaration as an amendment to his original declaration and as an answer & explanation of the objections made by the War Department to the admission of his claim to a pension under the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832 – which objections are contained in a brief accompanying the return of his original declaration & marked in red ink. The certificate of Samuel Armistead a clergyman residing in Campbell County & William C Moon a resident of Charlotte County will answer the first objection marked in red ink and in answer to the interrogatories prescribed by the war Department which was not answered in his original declaration further saith

1st Question – where and in what year were you born?

Answer – I was born in the County of Amelia & State of Virginia in the month of November in the year 1750.

2nd Question. – Have you any record of your age, & if so, where is it.

Answer – I have no record of my age in my possession – the register of my birth was in a Bible belonging to my Father in his lifetime – which Bible was carried by one of my sisters to the Western Country many years ago.

7th Question – State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & who will testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your service as a soldier of the revolution?

Answer: – William C. Moon, Abram St. John, Senr. & the Reverend Samuel Armistead

S/ Nahum Johnson, X his mark

[Samuel Armistead, a clergyman, and William C Moon gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$44.65 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one-year one month and 12 days in the Virginia service.]

¹ [Thomas McDearman S5749](#)