


Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

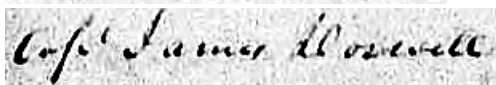
Pension application of John Strong S7594
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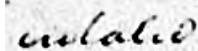
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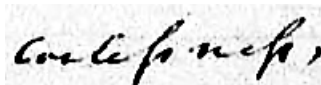
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State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit on this 22nd day of July 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of said County now sitting, John Strong a Resident of said County aged about 76 years who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was drafted as a militia man in September 1776 and served in a company of Hanover Militia under Captain Edward Bullock that the Company was a part of Colonel Innis' Regiment, the whole under General Nelson, that they marched to Williamsburg from thence to York & to Hampton, returned to Williamsburg, & was discharged having served two months. Was again called out in a Company commanded by Capt. Thos Doswell [??]¹ in the Summer of 1777, Same Superior officers that they marched to Williamsburg, thence to James Town & down James River, was ordered to Norfolk but before reaching their the order was countermanded & we marched to Holts Forge on the Chickahominy where we encamped for two or three weeks, thence to Richmond & discharged, out two months. Called out again the winter of 1778 in a company of Hanover Militia under Capt. James Doswell [??]², Col. Innis, & General Nelson, marched to Sandy Point crossed James River to Cabin Point in County of Surry, British retreated from Cabin Point but we took a few of them prisoners, in this Tour I was a Sergeant and had charge of the few prisoners taken, in the night one of the prisoners escaped, Baron Steuben was much [indecipherable word]³ at the loss of the prisoner, and swore he would be damned to hell if he did not hang me before 10 o'clock the next day for my carelessness [??]⁴, recrossed the River and returned to Richmond, out two months. Called out in 1779 in a Company of Militia under Captain George Dabney in Colonel Dandridge's [William Dandridge's] Regiment under General Nelson, marched to Hickory neck Church, thence to Williamsburg & to Richmond discharged, out two months. Called out again the same year under Captain John Anderson, met at Richmond marched down James River and crossed at Shirley; thence to Cabin Point crossed James River &

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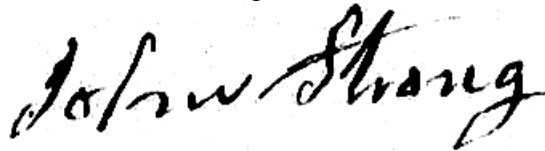
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were discharged at Williamsburg, out two months. Was called out again in the Summer of 1781 in a company of Militia commanded by Captain Miller, Colonel Matthews Regiment marched to Williamsburg & from thence to York, was at the siege of York served until two weeks after the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], having served this term two months. That he was called out in every instance by the regular authority of the State and that he served in the whole twelve months viz. ten months as a private & two months as Sergeant. The said Strong further states that he was born in the County of Cumberland Virginia moved to Hanover at the age of 8 years, was a resident of Hanover until 1790 when he moved to Fluvanna & where he has resided ever since, that he has a register of his age By his father according to which he was 76 years old the 10th day of July 1833 – that he has never preserved any of his discharges from service as he did not consider them of any value, that the affidavit of William Camron⁵ a fellow Soldier is all the evidence he at this time knows of his service, that his neighbors Colonel Payne & Colonel Bowles are well acquainted with him and will certify as to his veracity & general character, he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension other than the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year 1st [indecipherable word] written.

S/ John Strong

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Strong". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Fluvanna County to wit William Camron a credible person personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid and made oath, that he was in service with John Strong in September 1776 as a private militia man from the County of Hanover in a Company under Captain Bullock, this affiant was in a Company commanded by David Richardson, both in Colonel Innis' Regiment that they served two months, that he was again in service with said Strong both as privates in a Company commanded by Captain Thomas Doswell & served in the lower part of Virginia – two months, that he was again in service with the said Strong in the winter of 1778 in a Company commanded by Captain Doswell that Strong served as a Sergeant & that they were at Cabin Point in the County of Surry & served two months, that he has also personal knowledge of this Strong being in service in the summer of 1781 and serving until after the surrender of Cornwallis. Given under my hand this 25th of July 1833

S/ George Stillman

[Robert Silly, a clergyman, and Barrell G. Payne gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private & Sergeant for one-year in the Virginia service.]

⁵ FPA S8188