

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Vaughan S7788

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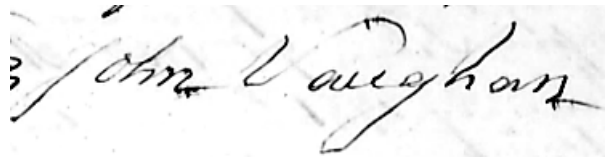
State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: SS

On this third day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court, to Viz. [sic], the Honorable Josiah J Evans the presiding Judge of the Court of Sessions & Common Pleas at Spartanburg Court House John Vaughan a resident of said District & State aged seventy-three 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 provision may by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That on or about the 10th of January 1781, he was drafted as a private in the Militia, in the County of Mecklenburg Virginia for three months under the command of Captain Jesse Saunders: That he was marched from Mecklenburg Court House to Dinwiddie Court House Virginia from thence to Cobbin Point [Cabin Point] from thence to Suffolk, at which place the Company was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Dick; from Suffolk he was marched to the Dismal Swamp, to Mud Camp, where he remained until the expiration of three months, the term for which he was drafted had expired; he was then verbally discharged by Captain Saunders, at Mud Camp on or about the 10th of April 1781 & returned home. On or about the last of June, 1781, I was drafted as a private in the Militia for three months in the County of Mecklenburg Virginia under the command of Captain Whitten. I was marched from Mecklenburg Court House Virginia to Prince Edward Court House from thence to Carter's Ferry on James River; from thence to Point Fork, on James River from thence back to Carter's Ferry and from thence to Morbin Hill [Malvern Hills]. The Regiment to which I was attached was commanded by Colonel Tucker. I was discharged by Captain Whitten verbally at Morbin Hill, on or about the 10th of October, 1781, having served three months and ten days. General Lawson had the principal command. I served in both campaigns six months & ten days. By reason of old age & consequent loss of memory it is possible, I have erred as to the beginning & ending of the different campaigns But to the best of my knowledge & recollection I have made a correct statement – As to the length of my service I know I am correct in saying in my first tour I served three months and in my second three months & ten days making an aggregate of six months & ten days – I have no documentary evidence. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension, except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State. I know of no person living who can prove my service except Howell Johnson.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ E. Bonner, Clk.

S/ John Vaughan

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Vaughan". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

Answer to 1<sup>st</sup> interrogatory. I was born in Mecklenburg County Virginia in the year 1760

Answer to 2<sup>nd</sup>. I have no record of my age in my possession –

Answer to 3<sup>rd</sup>. I was living in Mecklenburg Virginia when called into service: Since the close of the Revolution I have resided in Spartanburg District South Carolina – I now live in Spartanburg.

Answer to 4<sup>th</sup>. When called into service I was drafted.

Answer to 5<sup>th</sup>. In consequence of old age and loss of memory I cannot distinguish between the Militia & Continental Officers. I served under Colonel Dick & Colonel Tucker General Muhlenberg & Lawson.

Answer to 6<sup>th</sup>. I never received a written discharge.

Answer to 7<sup>th</sup>. In support of my character for veracity I refer to the Reverend Andrew Gramling & to Ellis & Howell Johnson

[Andrew Gramling, a clergyman, and Ellis Johnson and Howell Johnson<sup>1</sup> gave the standard supporting affidavit

Ellis Johnson upon being duly sworn deposeseth & saith that he was well acquainted with John Vaughan above named in the Revolutionary War & served with him in the 2 Campaigns set forth in his declaration.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 3rd day of October 1833

S/ E. Bonner, Clk

S/ Ellis Johnson,<sup>2</sup> X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.10 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 6 months and 10 days service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

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<sup>1</sup> FPA W4468

<sup>2</sup> FPA W7941