

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert White<sup>1</sup> S7893

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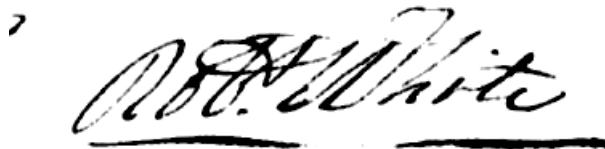
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Application for a new Certificate

State of Virginia County of Fauquier, Sct.

On this 17th day of April 1823 before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for the said County of Fauquier personally appeared Robert White of Frederick County in the said State, who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain Joseph Mitchell in the 12th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood, in the service of the United States. That his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Virginia but he has never received a formal certificate and now wishes to obtain one.

S/ Robt White

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robt. White", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is underlined with a single horizontal line.

[p 7: power of attorney dated November 26, 1828 given by Robert White of Winchester Frederick County Virginia constituting and nominating his son John B White as his attorney to receive the pay due him under the act of Congress of May 15, 1828.]

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Frederick County Sct.

Captain Peter Lauck<sup>2</sup> this day personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County and made oath that he has known Judge Robert White of Winchester ever since before the revolutionary War – that He knew him when he volunteered and marched to Boston with Captain Stinson – that He was afterwards an officer, that he was severely wounded that he knew him at the close of the war that he served through the whole war in the United States Army on Continental establishment – that He was Captain but affiant does not know this from actual inspection of his commission – but He knows it as well as he does any other fact of the kind. Given under my hand this 26 day of November 1826

S/ Geo. Reed

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt1678-300

<sup>2</sup> FPA R6183 [name also spelled Peter Lauk]

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Frederick County Sct.

Captain William Ball<sup>3</sup> this day personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath that he has been acquainted with Judge Robert White of Winchester ever since the close of the revolutionary War – that at the close of the War when they were all discharged, He understood and believes that said Robert White was just from the Army, and that up to the present day it has been always believed and considered that said Robert White did serve until after the war when the troops were generally discharged in the Army on Continental establishment and that he was an officer. Given under my hand this 26 day of November 1828.

S/ Geo. Reed

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State of Virginia County of Frederick

I, Robert White aged about seventy-one years, do, upon oath, testify and declare, that, in the year 1776 I enlisted as a Lieutenant for the term of during the war, and served in the Regiment No. ten under the command of Colonel James Wood of the Virginia of the Virginia line; and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war when I was regularly discharged as a Captain as stated in my application for pay under the act of May 1828.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States; nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatever therefore,

Know all men by these presents, that I, Robert White aforesaid, do hereby constitute and appoint Joseph Watson to be my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name to demand and receive of the Secretary of War of the United States, a warrant for the quantity of land due to me as aforesaid; and my said attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him, for the special purposes above expressed.

S/ Robt White

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For value received, I do hereby assign said over and conveyed to Joseph Watson, his heirs and assigns forever, all my right, title and interest in claim to land County from the United States (being 300 acres) in virtue of my services in the revolutionary war, and I hereby request the Secretary of War to issue a warrant to him the said Joseph Watson as my assignee.

Witness my hand and seal, 2 witnesses being present, this 3rd day of October 1830

witnesses Present

S/ Robt White

S/ J. Kean

S/ R. B. White

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State of Virginia County of Hampshire: SS

On the 4 day of August 1854 personally appeared before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for said County and state John B White a resident of Romney in the County and State aforesaid aged fifty-nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his

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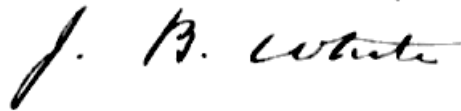
<sup>3</sup> [William Ball W3376](#)

oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress passed August first 1854 an act "to authorize the payment of Invalid pensions to the heirs of Lieutenant Robert White and others" that he is the son and only surviving child of Lieutenant Robert White as shown by proof recently filed with the Commissioner of pensions and who was an invalid revolutionary pensioner and dropped from the role in consequence of a failing himself of the benefit of the act of January 15 1828 and died March 9, 1831.

Now the object of this declaration being made through my duly authorized attorney Alexander Ray of Washington City is in order to assert a claim for the amount of invalid pension due to the said Lieutenant Robert White from the 3rd of March 1826 at the rate to which he was entitled to receive in virtue of said act August one, 1852.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first above written before me  
S/ Elijah Rinehart, JP

S/ J. B. White



[p 14: a letter dated March 9, 1838, responding to a request for information regarding this veteran contains the following statements for some of which I can find no documents in the file itself:

"Robert White belonged to Captain Joseph Mitchell's company of Colonel James Wood Twelfth Virginia Regiment, he was a Lieutenant in 1776 in the Twelfth Virginia Regiment, was severely wounded during the service, no details given, and continued in the service until the close of the war, at which time he was a Captain.

"He was allowed pension, from June 14, 1794, on account of disability resulting from the above noted wound, at which time he was a resident of Frederick County, Virginia. He was allowed pension under the act of May 15, 1828, on account of his service in the war of the Revolution.

"Robert White gave his age in 1830, about seventy-one years, he was then living in the Winchester Frederick County, Virginia. He died November 2, 1831, leaving no widow, the name of his wife was not shown, nor were there any data are relative to his marriage or to her death."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$15.11 1/9 per month commencing March 4th, 1826 for service as a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental line.]

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[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 73-page file, but only contains routine annual authorization, appropriation, disbursement and receipt of the pension. Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, *Revolutionary War Pensions Awarded by State Governments 1775-1874, the General and Federal Governments Prior to 1814, and by Private Acts of Congress to 1905*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Company, 2011, p 864 contains the additional information that the veteran was as of April 1786, 27 years old; that he was wounded in his left thigh by a musket ball in an action at the Short Hills in New Jersey June 26, 1777.]

