

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John P. Ives S9745

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State of North Carolina, Craven County: SS

On this 14th day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open Court before George Wilson, John Harris & John Brinson the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of the County of Craven, John P. Ives a resident of said County aged Seventy eight years in October next, who being first duly sworn, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832-. That he volunteered in the militia about the beginning of the Revolutionary War under Thomas Tyre [Thomas Hyre ?] and marched to Wilmington N.C. that this was for a term of three months, he was discharged and came home to Craven County, he remained at home about 5 or 6 months, and then enlisted to serve six months to be computed after leaving the State, he remained in the State about three months after enlistment, and then marched to Charleston under Capt. Weeks [Rickerson Weeks], William Caswell was Colonel (son of Genl. Caswell [Richard Caswell]). He remained at Charleston & news arrived that the British had taken Savannah, he was then marched to Augusta, the British and Tories retreated from Augusta towards Savannah, the Whigs pursued under Genl. Ashe [John Ashe of NC] to Briery Creek [sic, Briar Creek], the enemy set fire to the bridge, and while the Whigs were at work upon it, they were surprised, and after a little skirmishing retreated [Battle of Briar Creek, March 3, 1779]. Declarant says that his Captain (Weeks) took violent cold in crossing the Savannah river, and died at a place called the Two Sisters [Two Sisters Ferry] about 4 or 5 miles from Briar Creek. The defeat at Briar Creek happened just about the time his term of service expired and he was regularly discharged at Kinston N.C. In the course of the same year he enlisted for three months under John Council Bryan and was employed in guarding prisoners and marched with prisoners to Halifax twice. Declarant states that he kept his discharges for more than 20 years, and has lost them, not supposing they would be of value to him. Benjamin White knows of declarant's being in Capt. Bryan's Company, but whether there are other men living to prove his other services, declarant does not know. 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/ J. G. Stanley, Clerk

S/ John P. Ives

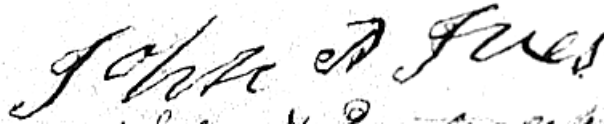


Benjamin White¹ maketh oath that he knew the declarant John P. Ives when he acted as adjutant to Capt. Bryan's Company in the Revolutionary War.

S/ Benjamin White, X his mark

Declarant further states that he was at Wilmington during the first period of his service herein stated on the 4th July 1776 – that his second period of enlistment commenced to the best of his belief in ~~June~~ 1777 – that the six months period was to be counted after leaving the State, and that he remained in this State after said six months enlistment for two or three months.

S/ John P. Ives

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Ives". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, typical of the late 18th or early 19th century.

[Thomas H. Daves [?Davis?], Esq., a Magistrate of the County of Craven & John Creekman, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 12 months in the North Carolina militia.]

1 [Benjamin White S11740](#)