

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Muncreeff (Muncriff) ¹ W10540 Sarah Ann f53Mass
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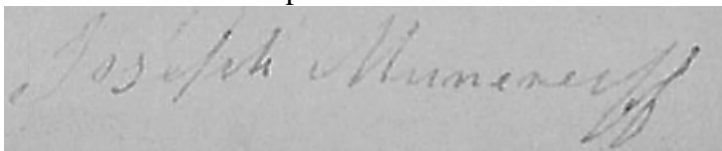
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United States District of Massachusetts:

Joseph Muncriff [sic] a Citizen of the United States now resident of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Commonwealth of Massachusetts do on oath testify and declare that in the War of the Revolution in the year 1779 I entered on board the *Providence* Frigate Commodore Whipple [Abraham Whipple]² remained on board till she was taken by the enemy at the Siege of Charleston, was sent from thence in Cartel to Philadelphia, where I shipped on board the *Dean* Frigate Captain Nicholson [Samuel Nicholson] & remained on board ten months when she arrived at Boston where I was discharged & from her & entered on board the sloop of war *Defence* Captain Evans remained on board till she was cast away & by reason of my reduced circumstances I stand in need of assistance from my Country being now fifty-three years of age.

S/ Joseph Muncreeff



Massachusetts District of Boston 17 April A.D. 1818
the within Declaration sworn to before me

John Davis, District Judge Massachusetts District

Doctor S^t Medard [Peter Saint Medard] who was Surgeon on board the *Dean* Frigate recollects the applicant and says he was doing duty on board nine or ten months.

Sworn before me S/ John Davis. DJ

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District of Massachusetts, SS

On this first day of July 1820 personally appeared, in open Court, before a Court of Record, viz., a Special District Court of the United States for the said District, Joseph Muncreeff aged 56 years, resident in Boston in the County of Suffolk, in said District, Rope Maker who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: as a Mariner on board the Frigates *Providence* and *Dean* in the

¹ BLWt26859-160-55 and BLWt39209-160-55

² Abraham Whipple <http://www.whipple.org/abe/commodore.html> (viewed 1/1/16)

Navy of the United States my declaration dated 17 April 1818 and my Pension Certificate April 2nd 1819 Numbered 9022

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

S/ Joseph Muncreeff

Sworn to and declared, on the first day of July A.D. 1820 before
S/ Jno Davis, Judge of the Massachusetts District Court

Schedule of Property belonging to the subscriber late a Mariner in the Navy of the United States during the Revolutionary Were

Real estate -- none

Personal estate: Household furniture etc.

Bureau	\$8
? C 3 chairs	6
Looking Glass	5
? Table	5
Light Stand	3
2 Potts 1 Dish Kettle	2.50
½ Doz Ten Spoons	4.50
½ Doz. Knives & forks	1
9 Plates & a Dish	1.75
Tea Pot	.75
3 Tubs	1.00---\$37.50

Occupation: a Rope Maker -- but cannot work at my trade in consequence of my infirmities
Family -- I have a wife who is incapable of earning her living in consequence of indisposition
Children -- I have none

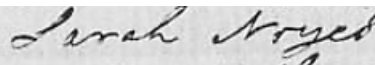
S/ Joseph Muncreeff

[p 18: On May 23, 1853 in Suffolk County Massachusetts, Sarah Muncriff [sic], 52, filed for her bounty land entitlement under the 1853 act as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner; that she is the widow of Joseph Muncriff; that she married him October 31, 1837; that her husband died October 12, 1852; and that she remains a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 28: On March 24, 1856, in Suffolk County, Massachusetts, Sarah Ann Muncreeff, 58, a resident of Boston in Suffolk County Massachusetts filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Joseph Muncreeff, a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$96 per annum; that she married him October 31st, 1837; and that her husband died October 12, 1852; and that she remains a widow.]

[p 12: the widow's name before her marriage to the Veteran was Sarah Noyes [?]³]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 17, 1818 410 months service on board the frigate *Deane* during the revolution.]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah Noyes". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and characteristic of the late 18th or early 19th century.