

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wallis W11730

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State of North Carolina Iredell County: On this 4th day of November 1819 came before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the State aforesaid personally John Wallis aged 64 years resident in the County of Iredell and State aforesaid who being by me duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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."

That he the said John Wallis enlisted in the service of the United States in the State of Virginia in the Company of light horse commanded by Captain Lew Jones Colonel Theodorick Bland's Regiment in the year 1775 – That the Regiment & himself joined General Washington in the Army at Morristown in New Jersey, that he continued to serve in said Regiment from February 1776 until the month of December 1778 when he was discharged at Winchester in Virginia that he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, that he has lost his discharge –

That part of the time he was paymaster to the Regiment and on service connected with that appointment in the year 1777 went to Albany in the State of New York. He further this says that he is in reduced Circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support.

I Archibald D. Murphey one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law and Courts of Equity in and for North Carolina do certify that it appears to my Satisfaction that the Applicant John Wallis served for the space of 9 months at one time in the Army of the United States on the Continental Establishment, during the Revolutionary War – that he is in reduced Circumstances & stands in need of the Assistance of his Country for Support – 4th November 1819

S/ A. D. Murphey

State of North Carolina Iredell County: Superior Court of Law & Equity

On this first day of November 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for said County, John Wallace aged 65 years resident in said County who being first sworn duly according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, that he enlisted in the year 1775 in Amelia County Virginia with Captain Lew Jones in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Theodorick Bland, under whom he served for 3 years & 9 months and was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown & Monmouth as appears in his original declaration before the Honorable Archibald D. Murphy dated 1819. And have received a pension Certificate No. 16 723. 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

Schedule of property excepting necessary Clothing and bedding

1 skillet, 1 pine table, 2 cows & calves, half dozen [indecipherable words] plates, 2 chests, one yearling steer, one set knives & forks, one shovel plow, 3 iron pots, 2 pewter dishes, one Bar [indecipherable words], one Dutch oven, one set cups & saucers, one mattock, one ax, one weeding hoe, one pair change horse collars, 2 pair pot hooks, one loom & Gun, one spinning wheel, one pair cotton cards, 4 chairs, one kitchen dresser, one [indecipherable words] old spoons, one box coffee mill, one [indecipherable words], one [indecipherable words] one smoothing iron, 2 Band augers, one chisel, 2 water pails, one iron wedge, 3 milk crocks, \$30 due me in notes & judgments, & I oh \$75.62 ½ . I have a gray mare in my possession, sent to me by my cousin John Stephens of Wake County for the use of myself and family.

S/ John Wallis

Sworn to in open Court & subscribed this first day of November 1820

The deponent John Wallis further states upon oath that his occupation is farming, that by age & infirmities his ability to perform is much impaired, that his wife is fifty-nine years of age, as capable of labor as usual with women at her age, a daughter named Agnes lives with me aged thirty, not very healthy but usually able to perform ordinary business, and a daughter named Harriet twenty-two years of age, and for seventeen years past diseased and crippled in her feet, legs, hands & arms incapable of business or walking or even of standing.

S/ John Wallis

[fn p. 9:In March 1846 in Iredell County North Carolina, Sarah Wallis, aged about 84 years, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of John Wallis, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him May 25, 1780 in Amelia County Virginia; that she had 11 children by the said John Wallis the first of whom was born in the year 1781; that she had a record of the births of her children but it was burnt in her house about 15 years ago; that her husband died November 17, 1845 and that she remains his widow.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 4th, 1819, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line; his pension was subsequently increased to \$100 per annum for service as a Dragoon pursuant to a claim filed by his widow.]