

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Warnock W22515

Eleanor Warnock

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The State of South Carolina

Anderson District

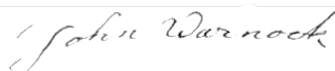
On the Fourth day of March 1833 personally appeared in open Court being the Court of Sessions and Common Pleas for said District at its Spring Term John Warnock a resident of the State and District aforesaid who being duly sworn on oath declares as follows in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

This Deponent was born in Ireland and came to America in 1774 being then 17 years of age – Landed in Delaware and settled in Abbeville then a part of 96 District [Ninety Six District] where he lived during the War.

He entered the service in 1775 in Captain Purvis [John Purvis'] company of Rangers. Afterwards commanded by Captain Warley [Felix Warley] – Under Colonel William Thompson [William Thomson] Enlisted for three years and having served something over twenty months was discharged on account of a broken leg which incapacitated him for service. This discharge he has lost. He served two tours against the Cherokee Indians under Colonel afterwards General Andrew Pickens in a company commanded by Captain Wilson [John Wilson]. Cannot recollect the term of Service. Some time the first a very Short time the Second.

He was afterwards captured by the Tories near Rutherford's Ford on Saluda River and remained in their custody till their defeat at the battle of Kettle Creek.¹ This deponent was in the battle of Stono [Stono ferry, June 20, 1779] – at the Siege of 96 [May 21 – June 19, 1781]² and in various Skirmishes, and tours of duty but cannot distinctly recollect the times or duration. Knows that he was in the service more than two years. Never had any written discharge except as before stated and knows of no person living within his reach who has any personal knowledge of his services except Peter McMahan whose attendance he has requested at the present term. He relies on his proof and his general reputation as establishing his service. 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 & subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Warnock



¹ Kettle Creek February 14, 1779 <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790214-kettle-creek/>

² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ninety_six.html

[William Magee & James Thomson Sr. gave the standard supporting affidavit]

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The State of South Carolina Anderson District

John Warnock appeared personally before me and made oath in due form of Law to the following Declaration as an Amendment of his original application prepared the 4th of March 1833. He has at this time no record of his age although one was made and long preserved in a family Bible though it is most distinctly fixed in his mind that he was in the Eighteenth year of his age when he entered the Service. This was in July 1775 when he enlisted in the third Regiment of South Carolina State Troops [sic, Continental Line] as previously set forth and was discharged in May 1777 by a written discharge which was preserved until within a few years past.

In February 1779 he was captured by the Tories and made his escape from them shortly after when they were defeated at the battle of Kettle Creek.

He cannot recollect with Sufficient distinctiveness the terms of his engagement in the Cherokee service to give the time of commencement or their duration.

In March 1779 he was employed and went into the service as a Waggoner and continued with the Waggon attached principally to the command of Colonel Pickens through various parts of the State and some part of this time having his Waggon and accompanying the troops as a pack horse man until the August following.

Again on the first of March 1781 as a volunteer private under the command of Captain Wilson and Colonel Pickens he was on a tour of duty until the first of October of the same year and continually in Service.

The foregoing composed the only terms of Service he can now designate by the month and year although he has seen much more service than herein set forth. Peter McMahan was enlisted in the same Company in Thompson's Regiment and this Deponent thinks the same day that he did though from the extreme frailty of said McMahan he has not yet been able to procure his attendance for examination. His memory too is quite imperfect worse even than this Deponent's as it was principally upon the testimony of this Deponent that said McMahan has been placed on the Pension List with the full pay of a private

Sworn to & Subscribed February 10th 1834 Before me

S/ Joseph in Whitner

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S/ John Warnock

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The State of South Carolina

Peter McMahan³ appeared personally before me and being duly Sworn declares on oath that he was well acquainted with John Warnock of Anderson District in the State aforesaid now applying for a Pension during the Revolutionary War. That he enlisted in the Service of the Country in the year 1775 under Captain Purvis and was in the Service principally under the Command of Colonel Thompson for the term of two years very nearly when he was discharged on the account of a broken leg said Warnock was always regarded as a good Whig. This Deponent never heard any other character of him.

Sworn to & Subscribed

³ [Peter McMahan W21782](#)

May the 15th 1834 Before
S/ Wm McMurry, JQ

S/ Peter McMahan, X his mark

[p 4: family record:

Mary Warnock was born January 29th 1787

Jane Warnock was born January 4th 1789

Elizabeth Warnock was born January 11, 1791

Eleanor Warnock was born October 13th 1792

Robert Warnock was born November 20, 1794

Margaret Warnock was born February 1st 1797

Fanny Warnock was born June 28, 1799

Anna Warnock was born August 25, 1801

John Warnock was born November 17, 1803

James Warnock was born February 15th, 1806

Becky Warnock was born March 5th, 1808]

[p 7: On February 10, 1845 in Anderson District South Carolina Eleanor Warnock a resident of said County and state, aged 77 years on the 3rd day of September last, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Warnock, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in Abbeville District South Carolina; that they were married by a Presbyterian minister by the name of Hale; that the marriage took place on January 31st, 1786; that her first born child was born January 29th, 1787 as is shown by the family record made by her husband; and that her husband died in Anderson District on May 8, 1842. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 9: On February 11, 1845, Samuel R McFall gave testimony in Anderson District South Carolina that he married a daughter of John and Eleanor Warnock about 20 years ago; that he was aware of the family record and believes it to be a true record of the births of the children of John and Eleanor Warnock.



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[Fact in file: Eleanor Warnock was the daughter of Robert Dowdle.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the South Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]