

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Bankson W25210

Mary Bankson

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Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The file contains no pension application by John Bankson, but on 22 July 1838 his widow, Mary Bankson, 75, of Baltimore, submitted the following memorandum with her application for a pension. She stated that John Bankson died on 4 June 1814.]

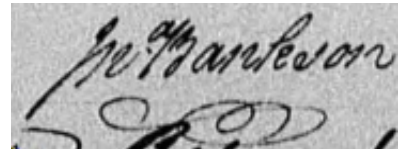
At the age of 20 years, I was Commissioned by Congress Novemb 25 1775.

on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 1776 marched with a Company which I commanded of 76 Rank and File, to the Walls of Quebec.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> May 1776 General Burgoyne arrived at Quebec, on the 6<sup>th</sup> he marched out of Quebec, in full force which obliged us to raise the Siege, which was the more distressing as we were literally in a starving condition until we arrived at Ticonderoga where Gen'l [Horatio] Gates commanded.

On the first January 1779 was appointed by Gen'l. Washington a Major of Brigade, in the Pennsylvania line, continued to discharge that duty until after the Capture of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], when I received the appointment of General Orders of Inspector, or Adjutant General to the Maryland and Pensyl'v troops under Gen'l [Arthur] Sinclair, we March'd from thence to South Carolina, and joined Gen'l Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] under whose command I continued until the return of Peace.

[Signature certified by Robert Mickle, 28 July 1838.]

A black and white photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "John Bankson". The signature is written on a light-colored background, possibly a document page.

NOTES:

The file contains the following note: "A mutilated muster roll of Capt. John Bankson's co. in Col. Walter Stewart's 2 Penn. regt. for May 1779 has been removed from this case to be sent to the War Dept. Sent to War Dept. Jan 16, 1913."

Mary Bankson submitted the family record transcribed below from the last page of the Apocrypha, as certified by her and Robert Mickle. On 30 March 1843 Mary Bankson was said to be 81, and on 6 Sep 1848 she was said to be 87.

John Bankson was married to Mary Mickle May 5<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1787

Sarah M. Bankson, daughter of John & Mary Bankson, was born March 7<sup>th</sup> 1788 at half past 3 O'Clock P.M

John Charles Bankson, Son of J. & M. Bankson, was born June 4<sup>th</sup> 1798.

John Mickle Senior, Departed this Life on Sunday the ninth of May 1813. Born on