

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Walden W25862

Elizabeth

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State of Kentucky Garrard County Sct.

On this 15th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court John Walden (before the Justices of the Garrard County Court now sitting) a resident of Garrard County, in the State of Kentucky, aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

He states that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated –

He states that he entered the service of the United States at the age of 16, as he thinks in the year 1778 – under the command of Captain Thrashley [?]. He continued in the service, as a substitute, under this engagement for a period of three months. He resided in Caroline County Virginia, when he entered the service, and marched from said County to Williamsburg in the same state.

Subsequently he was drafted for a tour of six months and marched from Hanover County to the place of Gates defeat. He states that he was in the Battle at Gates defeat – he joined the Army under General Gates at Rugeley's Mills in South Carolina, and continued under the command until after his defeat – General Stevens [Edward Stevens] commanded the Brigade until the forces were united with those of General Gates. He served this tour under the command of Capt. Park Goodall [Parke Goodall], and served out the period of six months and was discharged at Hillsboro in North Carolina.

He again entered the service under the command of Captain John Legg, and marched from Spotsylvania County, Virginia (whither he had a removed) through the mountains near Charlotte sale, retreating from the British forces until they joined General Wayne, near the Raccoon Ford on Rappidan [Rapidan] River – He entered the service under this engagement for a term of 3 months, and served as a drafted man.

He performed other services as a guard, when guarding the prisoners after the siege of York, but the precise time which he continued in that duty, he does not recollect, but thinks it was about 2 months – the prisoners were delivered to the Maryland troops on the Potomac River – from whence he returned home. The whole period which he served was about 14 months.

He knows of no person living in the state of Kentucky by whom he can prove his services; nor has he in his possession any documentary evidence in relation to 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 the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Walden

*John Walden*

[William Sampson (of Lincoln County Kentucky) and Rice L Stewart (of Garrard County Kentucky) gave the standard supporting affidavit. "And the said William Sampson<sup>1</sup> further declares that he resided in Goochland County Virginia during the Revolution, and that he was a neighbor to Captain Park Goodall of Hanover County and knows also that said Goodall was an acting Captain in the Revolution. ~~And the said Joseph Stewart declares that he resided in Spotsylvania County Virginia during the Revolutionary war and knows that John Leg was an acting Captain in said war.~~"]

[fn p. 6: On May 2, 1853 in Lincoln County Kentucky, Elizabeth Walden, 71, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of John Walden, a revolutionary war pensioner at the time of his death in Garrard County Kentucky at the rate of \$46 and some cents per annum; that she married him in the month of February 1800; that her husband died April 25, 1848. She signed her application with her mark.]

[fn p. 22: certificate issued in Caroline County Virginia dated March 24, 1853 stating that a marriage license was issued February 18 1800 for the marriage of John Walden to Elizabeth Pitts which marriage was solemnized by Thomas Mastin, a Minister of the gospel.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 14 months service as a private in the Virginia militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned for a like amount commencing February 3rd, 1853.]

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<sup>1</sup> This is PROBABLY the same man as FPA W8697