

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John H. Walker W27531

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[fn p. 9]

State of Georgia Lincoln County: On this 23rd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court being the Superior Court of said County & State, now sitting before William H Crawford the presiding Judge, the Reverend John H Walker of said County & State aged sixty-nine years who being duly sworn, according to law on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated viz.

Some time in the year 1781 and in the month of April as well as deponent now can recollect, he entered the service of his Country in the County of Loudon [Loudoun] & State of Virginia as a drafted man in Captain John Henry's Company and Colonel Alexander's Regiment and marched and joined head quarters at Mobbing hills [Malvern Hill], below Richmond and as well as deponent now can remember there joined Lawson's Brigade. Soon after which deponent volunteered to the light Infantry under the command of Colonel Call, until the arrival of General Wayne's Brigade from the North, and was then united with Wayne's Light Infantry and continued therein until after the Battle at old Jamestown, after which deponent was suffered to return home and remained there two weeks and joined with the Army again and continued until after the Siege of York & Gloucester which Siege lasted over thirty days and as well as deponent now remembers ended the 18th of October 1781. He was then appointed one of the guard to guard the prisoners and marched to the Barracks in Frederick County above Winchester, about two hundred miles, and about the first of November deponent was taken sick on the road before reaching the Barracks and returned home.

Sometime in the year after 1782 deponent was again called out to guard the same prisoners and continued as a guard in that tour about five weeks, when the prisoners were marched to Barracks in the State of Maryland, deponent marching with them & delivered them to the Maryland Militia at Shepherdstown, and deponent with the other troops suffered to return home.

Deponent further swears that in his opinion and to his recollection he served over six months in all for which he has never received any pay nor can he state positively that paid was offered or to what extent.

Deponent swears further that he has no documentary testimony to prove his service or any part of the same, nor is he able to prove the same by living witnesses, that he is in his reach or knowledge. But will be able by Colonel William Jones and Colonel William Curry & Humphrey Evans to prove his standing in society, and the Opinions of the neighbors of the correctness of his Statements, the reasonableness of his claims to pay, his age &c. That he now

resides in the County of Lincoln and has resided there and that part of Wilkes which is now Lincoln and Columbia County upwards of 40 years, that his name is not on the pension list Roll of any agency of any State & hereby relinquishes all except the present.

Sworn to in open Court before me

S/ Peter Lamm, Clk

S/ John H Walker



[William Jones, William Curry & Humphrey Evans gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Georgia Lincoln County: Personally came before me Elijah Frazer a Justice of the peace in and for said County the Reverend John H Walker who is an applicant to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 in behalf of Revolutionary Soldiers, who being by me duly sworn, deposes and saith in addition, and amendatory to his former application for a pension to such facts as are defective, or omitted, therein; That he deponent was born in Prince George County in the State of Maryland, on the 25th day of December in the year of our Lord 1763 according to the record of ages handed down by his parents to deponent if there was a family record of the ages of the Children of deponent's father he cannot recollect.

Deponent swears further that it was according to that information he was governed when called into the service of his Country of his age, and that according to that information he has kept the family record of his deponent's age which he now has in his family.

Sworn to before me this 27th of October 1834

S/ Elijah Frazer, JP

S/ John H Walker

[fn p. 12: On September 18, 1857 in Chattooga County Georgia, Mariah Walcott, 62, filed a claim stating she is the widow of John H Walker, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him March 15, 1814; that they were married by William Quinn, JP, in Lincoln County Georgia; that her husband died June 19, 1836 in Walton County Georgia; that she remains his widow; that her name prior to her marriage was Mariah Leverett; that she makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he is entitled under the 1855 act.

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[facts in file: Veteran married April 16, 1797, Elizabeth Johns, who died October 25, 1813. It was stated that she was his 2nd wife, there are no further data relative to her, and the date in regard to his first wife. He married March 15, 1814 in Lincoln County, Georgia, Mariah Leverett, she was born May 12, 1795, her parents on not shown; the widow moved to Texas about 1880 [third digit unclear] and lived in Fairfield, Freestone County, in Limestone County, and in 1861, was living at 54 North 4th Street, Waco Texas with her son, James C Walker and his wife Maggie M Walker. James C Walker stated that he changed his middle initial from S to see and that he was a District Judge while residing in Fairfield, Freestone County, Texas; he married the said Maggie in the month of February, 1782. The following data in regard to the children of John H Walker and his wife, Mariah are shown as follows:

Mary Ann born April 7, 1818

James Sanders, 3rd son born September 30, 1822

Amanda Katharine, second-order born June 17, 1827

Simon Armstrong, 7th son born October 19, 1833

Samuel Gideon, 8th and last son born April 9th, 1836

In 1881, reference is made to the following children of the veteran and his wife Mariah:

Mary Ann Mercer

James C Walker of Waco, Texas

G. L. or S. Walker

Simon Walker of Georgia

Amanda Crim of Georgia.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the Virginia militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned for a like amount commencing February 3rd, 1853.]