

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hand W3016 Jane A. Hand

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State of Kentucky Pendleton County: Sct.

On this 29th day of August 1832 personally appeared before me Martin Fugate a Justice of the peace for the County & State aforesaid John Hand resident in said County aged eighty-Two 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States or State Troops, (as he does not positively recollect which) in the year 1776 as well is he recollects, for three years with Captain William Field [?]¹ and served in the second Virginia Regiment under the following named officers – That he enlisted as above stated under Captain William Field in the County of Culpeper State of Virginia and was attached to the second Virginia commanded by Colonel John Green in the line of the State of Virginia, that soon after his enlistment he was made a recruiting Sergeant & continued in that service until he was ordered to Baltimore in the State of Maryland & from thence to the state of Pennsylvania, from Culpeper County, where he resided & where he enlisted he marched through the Counties of Fauquier, Prince William & crossed the Potomac River near Dumfries over to the State of Maryland, and from thence through Charles County into Baltimore & from thence to Pennsylvania. He was discharged at Winchester in the state of Virginia in the fall of 1779 for which services he received an Honorable discharge from Captain Marcus Calmese [probably Marquis Calmes], which he has lost. He was in no battles, he has no documentary evidence neither does he know of anybody now living by whom he can prove his services, but has no doubt but his name can be found on the Continental rolls, or state Troops of Virginia as he is not certain in which service he was in.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any state in the Union. He further declares that he is unable to attend court owing to bodily infirmity.

S/ John Hand

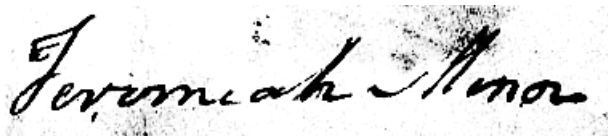


The deposition of Jeremiah Minor aged eighty-seven years taken at his house in Scott County State of Kentucky – After being first duly sworn deposeseth & saith that he was well acquainted

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with the within declaration John Hand late of Culpeper County State of Virginia, & that he knew the said Hand while in the Continental service under Captain William Field, he thinks in the year 1776 or 77 he was frequently with said Hand at different places, to wit Culpeper Courthouse, Dumfries, Fauquier Courthouse, when said Hand was engaged enlisting men as a recruiting Sergeant, that as well is he now recollects said hand was marched to the northward, & what became of him afterwards I know not, I did not see him afterwards until near the close of the war, I met with him in the Winchester Frederick County State of Virginia, he was then in the regular service, and was there discharged. I enlisted under Captain Charles Bruce in Orange County State of Virginia in the year 1775, and was frequently with said Hand who was from the adjoining County of Culpeper – Said Hand was sent to the northward & I was marched to Williamsburg the lower part of the State of Virginia & [several words written over and illegible] 3 years before we met again & then we met at Winchester Virginia & further this deponent saith not.

S/ Jeremiah Minor²

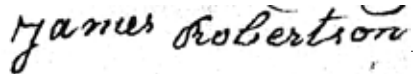


The deposition of Nathaniel Mothershead of seventy-seven years of age who deposeth & saith that he was well acquainted with John Hand & knew him to have been a soldier in the revolutionary war & that he belonged to the Continental service & that he was a Sergeant in the company of Captain William Field & was engaged in enlisting men – but how long said Hand served he cannot say, but, believes it could not have been less than two or three years, & further this deponent saith not.

S/ Nathaniel Mothershead,³ X his mark

[p 13: On March 14, 1839 in Pendleton County Kentucky, Jane A Hand, 75, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Hand a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in 1786; that her husband died January 8, 1833. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 14: On April 25th, 1839 in Bourbon County Kentucky, James Robertson gave oath that he is the brother of Jane A. Hand, widow of John Hand; that he was at her wedding in Frederick County Virginia; that the marriage took place after John Hand left the Army and before the year 1794, he does not remember the precise year; that affiant was at the home of John and Jane Hand in 1791 and that they had been married several years at that time; that John and Jane were married at the affiant's father's house by the Reverend James Ireland, a Baptist minister who then lived in Shenandoah County a distance of 20 miles from his father's house.



[p 17: family register:
John Hand was born March 5th, 1751

² [Jeremiah Minor S2843](#)

³ [Nathaniel Motherhead \(Motherhed\) W8472](#)

Janeyangle Hand was born February 25th 1766

Elizabeth Robertson Hand the daughter of John & Janeyangle Hand was born July 25, 1788

Frances Ann Hand daughter of John and Janeyangle was born March 8th, 1789

William Robertson Hand First Son of John & Janey Hand was born March 20th [year obliterated]

John Readish Hand was born April 16, 1794

Lydia Hand was born [month obliterated] 12th 1796

James Stevens Hand was born February one, 1801

Nelley and Hannon twins was born December 5, 1803

Thomas Lial Hand was born May 25, 1805

Henry Liken [?] Hand was born August 26, 1809

John Hand and Janeyangle was married January 18, 1787]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 2 years in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]