Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Baskerville W3753 Mildred Baskerville VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 15 May 2017.

[From Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection/ Buckingham County]

To the Honourable Speaker, and House of Representatives of the State of Virginia. Whereas John Baskerville jr served as a sergeant in the revolutionary war, in the Battalion raisd for the defense of the western frontiers of the state of Virginia, According to an act of assembly passed at the may session 1779: did on the 26th day of February Eighteen hundred and seventy four in the Corporation of Lynchburg, he had the misfortune to Loose his Home and a great part of his furniture by fire. And from Old age, and infirmaty he now needs the aid of his Country. Therefore he Humbly petitions your Honourable body, to grant such relief as you in your Wisdom and generosity may thin propper.

John Baskerville

Lynchburg 10th day of December 1824 We the undersigned do hereby certify that John Baskerville was a Citizen of Lynchburg last Winter, and on the 26th of February last he had his house and a great part of his furnature consumed by fire, and we think that he needs the aid of his Country.

[signed] Benj. A. Phillips Benjamin Vauter Jno. Horkaday Jas H Diuguid

Cumberland July Court 1782

John Baskerville jr Came in and made oath that he served as a serjeant in captain Thomas Young [S11921] company in the battalion raised for the defence of the western frontiers of this State according to an act passed May session 1779 that the sertificate produced by him for such services is true and was by him duly obtained and that he has not before proved or claimed his right to land for the service therein mentioned.

A Copy/ Test/ Miller Woodson J. DC

Buckingham 10th Dec'r 1824

Messrs. Yancey & Patteson.

Gent. enclosed I send you a Petition which I must request the favour of you, to lay before the House of Assembly, I served three years in the prime of my life as a soldier in the defence of my country, and I am now Old and infirm, and necessaty compell me to ask some aid from my country. Your attention to this Petition will forever be acknoleded by your most Obt. Servant

John Baskerville

Dec'r. 16th 1824 ref'd to Claims 1825 Jany 8th Laid on the table/ 10th Reasonable/ 11 Reported/ 19 Bill drawn

To the Hounarable Speaker and members of the house of Assembly of Virginia. whare as John Baskerville Jr. Enlisted for three years in the Revolution war in the Battallion Raised for the defence of the western Frontiers of Virginia by act of Assembley passed may Session 1779 and John Baskerville Jr Servd three years in the Revolution war in the prime of his life in the defence of his Country at which Period he was dischargd a Serjeant of Captain Thomas Youngs Company in the said Battallion and now in his old age has a female family and not able to Labour for Support and by the Ruins of his house being burnt and other misfortunes has Reduced im to need the aid of his Country and now he petitions to the hounarable Assembly of Virginia to give him such relief as in their hounour and generosity may think proper.

October, 1830

Jno Baskerville Jr.

Buckingham County

Before me George Christian a Justice of the peace in the County of Buckingham in the State of Virginia, personally appeared, this day, Hardin Woodroof [W3485], of the said County, who did make Oath that John Baskerville is known by him to have been a Soldier in the Army of the Revolution – having served with him

Given under my hand this 1st day of Dec'r 1830 George Christian

I do Hereby Certify that John Baskerville assigned over to me, on the 2nd day of February Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Two a Military Land Warrant No 6437 for two Hundred acres issued to him by Wm. G. Pendleton Reg. L. Office the 17th day of February Eighteen Hundred and Twenty One. In consideration of the said Baskervill's services, for three years, as a sergeant of the Virginia state line. I do further state that I have been acquainted with John Baskerville about Twenty five years. He is at this time varey poor and unable to labour for a support. Having an amiable family of Female Children who are dependant for support. Given under my hand this 27th day of November 1830.

William Walton

Dec'r 8th 1830 ref'd to Rev'y Claims/ Reported reasonable 30th Dec'r 1830/ Rept. Rev'y C'm. Dec'r 31st 1830

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To the Hounarable Speaker and members of the house of Assembly of Virginia whare as John Baskerville Jr. Serv'd. as a Searjent in the Revolutionnary war in the Battalion Rais'd for the Defence of the western Frontiers of this State by act of Assembly passed may Session 1779 and on the Twenty Sixth day of February Eighteen Hundred and twenty four he had his hause Burnt and Greater part of his Furniture and by the Resin of fire and other misfortune in his old age he is not able to Support him Self has Reduced him to need the aid of his Country and he Petitions to your hounarable body to give him such Relief as in your honour and generosity may think proper

John Baskerville

I have examined on this day the Army Register for the troops of the State line, in the Auditors office & find John Baskervill duly enrolled there as a seargeant.

Given under my hand this 20th day of Dec'r 1826 Reuben B Patteson

Dec'r 8th 1825 ref'd, to Claims/ 1825 28 Decr laid on table/ 30 Rejected/ 31 Reported

[The following is from the federal pension file.]

To the Honorable Speaker and members of the House of Assembly of Virginia.

Whereas John Baskerville Jr enlisted for three years in the Revolution War, in the Battallion raised for the defence of the western frontiers of Virginia [Lt. Col. Joseph Crockett's [S46377] Western Battalion], by act of assembly passed May session 1779, and John Baskerville Jr served three years in the Revolution War, in the prime of his life, in the defence of his Country, at which period he was discharged a sergeant of Capt Thomas Young's Company, in the said battallion, and now in his old age has a female family, and not able to labor for support, and by the ruins of his house being burnt, and other misfortunes has reduced him to need the aid of his Country; and now he petitions to the honorable assembly of Virginia to give him such relief as in their honor and generosity may think proper.

Buckingham County October 1830 Jno Baskerville Jr

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

It appears by the books in this Office that a Certificate issued on the 12th December 1783 for Seventy nine pounds in the name of John Baskerville for balance for balance of his full pay as Serjeant in the service of

the State of Virginia and that on the 17th December 1783 a Certificate issued for Forty eight pounds 10/ for balance of full pay due Nath'l Henderson as a Soldier in the service of the State of Virginia.

Sam'l Shepard

Aud'r Office/ 26th Sept'r 1811

Buckingham County

This day Nathaniel Henderson appeared before me Wm. Walton and made oath that John Baskervill was discharged from the State service of Virginia as a Sargent in Captain Thomas Youngs Company belonging to Col'n Joseph Crockets Ridgment in the latter part of December 1781 Given under my hand this 12th day of October 1811

Cumberland County towit

Bernard Sims came before me one of the commonwealth's Justices assigned to keep the peace in the county aforesaid and made oath that John Baskerville enlisted s a regular soldier under Lieutenant Bernard Glenn [R14477] in the county of Cumberland sometime about the year 1779

Given under my hand this 28th day of Oct'r 1811.

City of Richmond to wit

This day John Baskerville personally appeared before me Justice of the Peace for the said City & made oath that he inlisted as Private in the year 177[last digit illegible] for three years in Colo Francis Taylors [Francis Taylor R19418] Regiment [undeciphered word] Lieutenant Bernard Glenn at the Barracks. That he was transferred to Captain Thomas Young's Company in Lieut. Colo. Joseph Crockett Regiment. That he remained in that Regiment untill it was regularly discharged at the close of the War. Given under my hand this 24th day of Feb'ry 1812. Robert McKim

[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

Land Office Virginia

I certify that a Land Warrant No. 168 for 6666% acres in favor of Joseph Crockett, of the state Line, issued from this Office, bearing date, 9th of March, 1783; and Warrant, No. 3781 for 2443% acres in favor of Joseph Crockett, of the Continental line, issued from this office, bearing date 9th January, 1810; and that no other Warrant has been issued on account of the services of Joseph Crockett. As witness my hand the 16 Apl. 1832.

Wm Selden R L Office/ Ap 15 1831

Land Office Virginia:

I certify that a Warrant No. 6437 for two hundred acres in favor of John Baskerville issued from this office bearing date 17th February, 1821; and that no other Warrant has issued for the same services.

Wm Selden R L Office

Land Office Virginia

I certify that a Land Warrant No. 3755 for one hundred acres in favor of David Henderson, assee [assignee] of John Henderson, of the Continental line issued from this office bearing date 17th Feb'y 1785; and that no other warrant to any person named John Henderson.

Wm Selden Reg'r L office

Auditors Office 12 Feb. 1831

John Baskerville a Serjeant of infantry drew a certificate on the 12th dec'r 1783 for £79.0. being the balance of his full pay or depreciation due for his services in the state line.

Jas E Heath/ [illegible]

Nathaniel Henderson a soldier of infantry drew a certificate on the 17 dec'r 1783 for £48.10. being the balance of his full pay or depreciation due for his services in the state line.

Jas E. Heath/ A P A

Buckingham County To Wit

This day came John Baskerville before me William Walton a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid and made Oath that some time after the surrender of Lord Cornwalis [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] the Batalion Commanded by Col. Joseph Crockett was called together at Fourt Nelson [sic: Fort Nelson at present Louisville] The falls of the Ohio river, and was discharged as I understood by general orders and I was discharged as a Sergeant of Capt. Thomas Youngs Company and so was Nathaniel Henderson discharged as a soldier belonging to the said Company – some Eighteen or Twenty years past. I was at the House of Capt John Henderson in the upper end of Buckingham County, and the before named Nathaniel Henderson, was a liveing with him and in the course of Our Conversation he named that Capt John Henderson was his son and furthermore he has always been considered the reputed son of the said Nathaniel Henderson

Given under my hand this 5th day of April 1831.

Buckingham County To Wit

This day John Baskerville aged Sixty Eight years made oath before me William Walton a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid that he the said John Baskerville and Nathaniel Henderson (the Father of Capt John Henderson of Buckingham) about the year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy nine inlisted and served under Capt Thomas Young who was a Captain in Col. Joseph Crockett Rigement, during the Revolutionary War, and that continued faithfully to discharge their Duty, and were both Honorably Discharged by those who were authorised to discharge the Soldiers who inlisted, for the war. The said Baskerville became a non Commissioned Officer in the said Company To Wit a Sergeant. Given under my hand this 2nd day of July 1831.

NOTE: On 29 Jan 1842 Milley Baskerville, 79, applied for a federal pension stating that she married John Baskerville on 25 Dec 1792, and he died 2 June 1832. A document in the file states that John Baskerville and Milley Pendleton were married in Buckingham County by Rev. William Flowers. On 30 March 1843 Mildred Baskerville was said to be 80.