

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Foster John Hardin

VA  
(Martha)

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[p2] Certificate N° 580  
John Hardin Foster  
Ensign Virginia Line  
Warrant issued to Col<sup>o</sup> Thomas Worthington (S.U.S.)  
As Ass<sup>ec</sup> of David Meriwether, who was ass<sup>ec</sup> of said  
J.H. Foster: N.B. a warrant to satisfy this claim was  
Formerly granted N° 331, which on account  
of error is now returned and remains  
in this file as a voucher.

Deliv<sup>d</sup> to Col<sup>o</sup> Worthington, same day

[p3] Georgia certificate 6655  
Martha Foster widow of  
John H Foster  
Ensign VA  
Issued 08Feb1845 @ \$240/annum

[p4] Decln  
State of Georgia  
Warren County S.S.

On this the twenty fifth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and forty four (1844) personally appeared before the Honorable the Inferior Court of the County and state aforesaid Martha Foster aged seventy seven years a resident of said county and state who being duly sworn on her oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed on the seventh day of July in the year eighteen hundred and thirty eight (1838) entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That she was married in due form of law in Wilks [sic Wilkes] County and said state on the first day of January seventeen hundred and eighty five to John H Foster otherwise called John Foster a native of the state of Virginia. That she lived with him as his wife until the eighteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred and one (1801) when he departed this life at his residence in the said county of Wilks and state first aforesaid. That she is still the widow of the said John Foster having never since his death married. That the said John H Foster entered the army of the revolutionary war of the U.S. about the beginning of the revolution (in 1776) in an infantry company from Prince Edward County Virginia commanded by Captain Ballard Smith and that he served during the whole war as ensign or lieutenant or during part of the [p5] time in the one grade and part of the time in the other. And the said Martha Foster futher declares that about the year eighteen hundred the said John Foster received from the Government of the United States of America in consideration of his services rendered in and during the war of the revolution a bounty in land of one thousand acres located in the state of Ohio. And she refers to this grant as evidence of the service of the said John Foster as above set. Further she also

refers to the certificate hereunto annexed from the auditor of the State of Virginia in proof of her lawful intermarriage with the said John Foster. She refers to the certificate hereunto annexed she having no better evidence in her possession.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day & year above written.

Martha Foster

Attest

W.W.Nowell Clk Inf Ct

[supporting statements and certification

Milner Echols, neighbor

Waters Briscoe, JJC

Warner J Hill JJC

Neh Johnson JJC

W. W. Nowell clerk

John and Stephen Pettus, brothers, of Wilkes Co GA

That Martha Wingfield married John Hardin

Lewis S Brown, judge

Rayland Beasley, clerk

Mary Wingfield, sister

No. 391

*Col. Worthington*

Pursuant to an Act of Congress authorizing the Secretary of War to issue Land Warrants and for other purposes, passed the 15th day of April, 1806, *David Meriwether in trust for the heirs of the late John St. Fort, as conveyed to the Virginia Line* is intitled to *One Hundred & Fifty Acres of Land* to be located, agreeably to said act, on any unlocated parts of the fifty quarter townships and the fractional quarter townships, reserved by law, for original holders of military warrants.

GIVEN at the War Office, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 6

Registered,

*[Signature]*  
CLERK.

*[Signature]*  
SECRETARY OF WAR.

W A R

John H. Foster an ensign in the late Virginia Line makes application through me for his military donation land for his services. You will find that he served to the close of the war.

I am sir

Yours \_\_

David Meriwether

Genl Dearborn

[also in file are various other notes and correspondence to prove the marriage of Martha Wingfield and John Foster in the absence of official county documents.]