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Pension Application of John Vier (Viah) W3896                      Sarah Viah      VA  
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[On 21 Oct 1820 Littleberry Via (pension application R20442) and Hardin Woodroof (W3485), both of Buckingham County VA, certified Vier's service.]

State of Virginia    }  
Franklin County    } Sct

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day January 1834 Personally appeared before me Samuel Saunders a Justice of the Peace for the said county John Vier a Resident of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia aged 76 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. that he enlisted in the army of the United States for term of three years in the County of Amherst Virginia under Cap'n Jesse Allen who being deprived of the command he was Transferred to Cap'n holmon Rice [sic: Holman Rice, pension application S31327] and upon the resignation of Cap'n Rice he was marched under the command of Captain Burton [James burton S48412] in a detachment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Francis Taylor to guard the Prisoners surrendered by Burgoyne [at Saratoga NY on 17 Oct 1777; brought to Albemarle Barracks in Jan 1779] that he was marched and countermarched through the North Western part of the State of Virginia and quartered at different Times near the Town of [illegible] at the warm Springs Shepardstown [sic: Shepherdstown in present WV] and Martinsburg [WV] and being discharged at Winchester Virginia Having lost his discharge that he served the Whole Term that he enlisted for at the different Places Stated as private soldier He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the Present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any State or if any only on that of the State agency of the State of Virginia  
John hisXmark Vier

Franklin County State of Virginia, Viz, Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid John Via who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear Positively as to the Precise Time of his enlisting into or the Time of his discharge nor the Precise Time of his Service at each place that he was Quartered – that he served the Period of three year as mentioned as Private Soldier and for Such Service I claim Pension.  
John hisXmark Vier

NOTES:

On 21 Jan 1843 Sarah Viah, alias Vyer, aged 95 or 96, applied for a pension stating that she married John Viah (Vyer) on 4 March 1784, and that he died 7 March 1834. On the same day William Vier of Floyd County VA stated that he was present when John Vier enlisted, that he knew Sarah Wright of Buckingham County before her marriage to John Vier, and that they moved to Franklin County 45 or 50 years ago. On 10 Oct 1848 Sarah Viah was said to be 99.