

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Scarborough¹ W6003 Mary

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Transcribed by Will Graves

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Declaration

In order to Obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of July 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to Certain Widows."

State of Ohio Scioto County SS

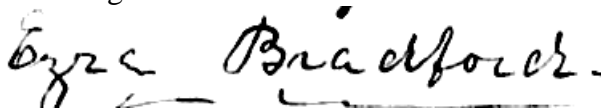
On this 13th day of August A.D. 1840, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of Scioto County aforesaid Mary Scarborough a resident of Portsmouth in said County aged seventy-three years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows:" That she is the widow of John Scarborough who was a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental line upwards of two years, the proof of whose services are now on file in the War Department.

She further declares that she was married to the said John Scarborough in Northampton County Virginia in the month of June in the year of our Lord 1784 at the residence of her uncle and guardian Hezekiah Pitts. That her husband the aforesaid John Scarborough died on the 2nd day of January 1794; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the 1st day of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated.

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year above written in Open Court

S/ Mary Scarborough, X her mark

[f p. 5: Ezra Bradford, 79, a resident of Portsmouth in the County of Scioto gave testimony that he was acquainted with the veteran in the year 1783; that he knew the veteran and Mary Jacob before their marriage in 1784; that they were married in Northampton County Virginia. "This deponent further deposeth and & saith that he knew the said John Scarborough while in the Continental Service in the Virginia line and knows that said John Scarborough served upwards of two years as an Officer of the line. And this deponent further saith that he believes the said John Scarborough was a Lieutenant in said service and further this deponent sayeth not."

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[f p. 8: copy of a consent given by Hezekiah Pitts for the marriage of Captain Jno Scarborough to Polly Jacob, to whom he is Guardian. Also, a copy of the marriage bond dated June 14, 1784

¹ BLWt1059-200

² I could find no federal pension or by this name.

issued to John Scarborough and Maddox Andrews in North Hampton County Virginia conditioned upon the marriage of John Scarborough to Mary Jacob.]

[f p. 11: Ezra Bradford gave further testimony that he was for me with the family of John and Polly Scarborough; that since Scarborough's death to the best of his knowledge, Vienna P. Turner, formerly Vienna P. Scarborough, wife of John R Turner of Scioto County Ohio is the only heir and legal representatives of John Scarborough.

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$320 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848, for her husband's service as a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to John Scarborough W6003

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 8 April 2021.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#).]

I do Certify that Lieut John Scarborough was appointed Ensign in the 9th Virginia Regiment the 10th of Feb'y 1777 And believe took his Rank as Lieut Novem'r 24th 1779

And Continued untell the end of the War. Given Under My Hand this 10th Jan[?] Term 1784

John Poulson Late Major [BLWt1734-400]

[undeciphered] Regiment

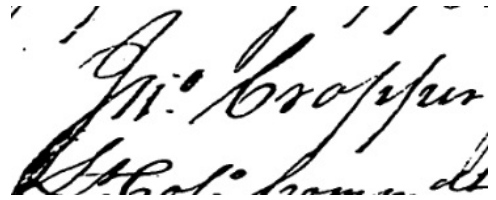
[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Scarburgh, John.]

I do hereby certify that John Scarburgh enlisted a soldier in Capt. Levin Joynes [BLWt1163-500] company of the 9th Virginia Regim't that he was promoted to be a Lieutenant, and that he served to the end of the Revolution war.

Given under my Hand at Accomac County Virginia the 2^d day of May 1798

Jno Cropper Jr. formerly

Lt. Colo. Comm'dt 11th Virg'a Regim't.



[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Scarburgh, John.]

I do hereby certify, that John Scarburgh (alias Scarborough) was born in the county of Accomack, state of Virginia, that he entered an Ensign in the 9th Virginia Regiment, the year 1776, that he marched as an officer in that regiment, and joined the Continental Army, under the command of General Washington at Princeton, the begining of the year 1777: That the sain [sic] Scarborough attained in the coarse of the revolutionary war, the rank of a Captain, and that when the troops were disbanded at Winchester in Virg'a, at the end thereof, he retired with a good character. I knew him well having served much with him during the war. He was taken prisoner at the battle of Germantown [4 Oct 1777] and suffered much in the Philadelphia New Gaol, with his brother prisoners

Jno. Cropper formerly Lt. Col. Comm'dt

11 Virg'a Regim't on Continental Establishm't



The State of Ohio Scioto County Ss. }

Scioto Com. Pleas. August Term 1822. }

At a Court of Common Pleas continued and held in and for the County of Scioto, at the Court House in the Town of Portsmouth, on the twenty first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and of the State the twentieth. Present. The honorable Ezra Osborn President Judge of our said court, John Collins, Samuel Caroll and Lawson Drury Esquires his associates.

The deposition of Ezra Bradford of the County of Scioto and state of Ohio, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith That he was well acquainted with John Scarburg, alias Scarborough, when said Scarburgh, was an officer in the 9th Virginia Regiment of the Revolutionary Army. he was also acquainted with him after he left the Army and resided in Northampton County, State of Virginia, where he married his wife Polly Jacob. this deponent further stated that he has known the family of the said Scarburgh since his the said Scarburgh's death, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief, Vienna P. Turner, formerly Vienna P Scarburgh, wife of John R Turner of the County of Scioto and State of Ohio is the only heir and legal representative of John Scarburgh now living. And further this deponent saith not.

Ezra hisXmark Bradford.

Sworn and subscribed in open court at August Term 1822. Attest John R Turner Clerk.

The deposition of George Turner of the County of Scioto & State of Ohio, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he was well acquainted with John Scarburgh alias Scarborough, when said Scarburgh was an officer in the 9th Virginia Regiment of the Revolutionary Army, he was also acquainted with him after he left the Army and resided in Northampton County, State of Virginia, where he married his wife Mary Jacob. This deponent further states, that has known the family of the said Scarburgh, since his, the said Scarburgh's death, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief Vienna P Turner, formerly Vienna P Scarburgh, wife of John R Turner, of the County of Scioto and State of Ohio, is the only heir and legal representative of the said John Scarburgh, now living. And further this deponent saith not.

George Turner. Sworn and subscribed in open Court, At August Term 1822. Attest. John R Turner Clerk.

It appears by the Books of this Office, agreeably to an Executive certificate dated Aug't 26 1784 a military warr't. issued to John Scarbrough for his services as a Lieutenant for three years Cont'l. line. – agreeably to another Executive certificate dated June 4 1798 a military warrant issued to John Scarburg his “additional proportion of Land for his 7th years service as a Lieutenant of the Continental line.

No other warrant appears to have issued to John Scarburg or Scarbrough for services performed by him in the Revolutionary war.

Land Off..

Feb'y 12 1825

W. Selden

Reg[ister] Land Off

[Illegible]

1825 Feby 17. Rejected by the Executive Scarburg having received his full Bounty.