

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wyatt W6595

Mary Wyatt

f30VA

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State of Virginia Charlotte County to wit

On this 5th day of October 1838 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Mary Wyatt, aged 78 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 July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows –"

That she is the widow of John Wyatt, late of Charlotte County, who was a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution; and also a soldier in militia service – That she does not pretend to know anything respecting the services of her late husband in the Revolutionary War, but has understood, and verily believes the same to be correct, that her late husband in the spring of 1776, enlisted under Captain Brent for the term of three years, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens. That after serving the said term of three years faithfully, in regularly discharged from service, he served a considerable length of time in the Militia – For evidence of all which, she refers to the Army Records of the Continental line, and the accompanying certificates of those who served with him –

She further declares that she was married to the said John Wyatt on the 19th day of February 1788; that her husband, the aforesaid John Wyatt, died on the 2nd day of May, 1814; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794: to wit, at the time above stated.

S/ Mary Wyatt, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid

S/ John Harvey, JP

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit

This day Colonel Richard Wyatt of Charlotte came before me a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid, and made oath that he knows as coming within his personal knowledge that said John Wyatt departed this life on the 2nd day of May 1814. Given under my hand this 5th day of October 1838.

S/ John Harvey, JP

[p 8: copy of a marriage bond issued in Lunenburg County Virginia to John Wyatt and William

Taylor of Lunenburg County to secure the marriage of John Wyatt and Polly Tomlinson.]

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I Thomas Harvey<sup>1</sup> of Charlotte, do hereby certify, that I have a distinct recollection of John Wyatt, deceased, late of Charlotte, in the Revolutionary War: he enlisted in the spring of 1776, in the County of Charlotte under Captain John Brent for the term of 3 years, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens. He served the said term faithfully and was regularly discharged from service. I further certify, that afterwards, he served some time in the Militia, but how long, I do not recollect. The said John Wyatt has been dead for many years: His widow Mary Wyatt is still alive, resident in the County of Charlotte – I am in the 79th year of my age, and was attached to the Continental line in the war of the revolution.

S/ Thomas Harvey, X his mark

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 for her husband's two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] [claim by heirs]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia –

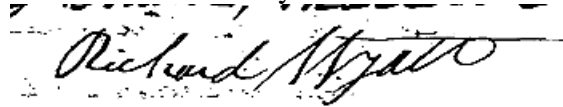
The Memorial of the Heirs and legal Representatives of John Wyatt, deceased, late of Charlotte, who was a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution: Respectfully Sheweth:

That the said John Wyatt in the Spring of 1776 enlisted as a soldier under Captain John Brent in Charlotte County, for the term of three years, and was attached to the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens. He served the said term faithfully, and was regularly discharged from service – All of which will more readily appear by reference to the Army Records of the Continental line, and the accompanying certificates of soldiers who served with him in the Army of the Revolution –

Your Memorialist further state, that the said John Wyatt in his lifetime, never applied for, or drew the Land Bounty, promised by the State of Virginia to her Continental soldiers: nor have the heirs of said John Wyatt, since his death, applied for, or drawn the same –

Your Memorialist, therefore, pray that your Excellency will grant them the usual quantity of Land allowed a soldier of the Continental line, for the service of three years, pursuant to the laws of Virginia in such case made and provided. And as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c

S/ Richard Wyatt

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard Wyatt", written over a horizontal line.

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

This day Richard Wyatt, a son and heir of said John Wyatt, deceased, came before me a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid, and made oath that the facts as set forth in the foregoing Memorial, he believed to be true – Given under my hand this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 1838

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<sup>1</sup> [Thomas Harvey R4715](#)

S/ John Harvey, JP

[reverse]

Heirs of "John Wyatt"

Memorial &c for Land Bounty

Continental line

Received October 31, 1838

Read March 11

Rejected – no enlistment being authorized by law for 3 years and spring of 1776

S/ DC [David Campbell, Governor]

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 1783, in the name of John Wyatt, as a Soldier of Infantry for £62.3.10, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Mr. Stewart and was given for services prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this  
30<sup>th</sup> day of October 1838.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with John Wyatt, deceased, late of Charlotte County in the Revolutionary war, and recollect distinctly that in the spring of 1776, he enlisted in the County of Charlotte under Captain John Brent for the term of three years, and was attached to the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens – he served the said term faithfully and was regularly discharged from service. I am in the 79<sup>th</sup> year of my age and was a soldier of the Continental Army in the war of the revolution

S/ Thomas Harvey, X his mark

[Attested in Charlotte County Virginia October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1838]