

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Barnes W8338

Milly Barnes VA

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State of Kentucky Sct

On this 11th day of July 1818 before me the undersigned one of the Circuit Judges for the Commonwealth afores'd. personally appeared John Barnes aged about 60 years resident in Harrison County in s'd. State who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary. That he first enlisted in the State of Virginia in Spotsylvania County in the company commanded by Capt Oliver Toles [Oliver Towles BLWt2213-450] of the 6th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve as a private soldier in that Company for two years when he enlisted for three years as a private soldier in the Company of Capt Page [Carter Page W2161] of Col George Baylors [George Baylor W5966] Regiment of horse which also belonged to the Virginia line on the Continental establishment and continued in that regiment until the expiration of the term of his enlistment when he was discharged by Col William Washington who succeed Col Baylor in the command of said Regiment. That he was in the battle at Trenton when the Hessians were taken [26 Dec 1776] & also the battle at Princeton [3 Jan 1777] the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] the battle at Germantown [4 Oct 1777] & a number of small skirmishes. That from his reduced reduced circumstances in life he stands in need of assistance from his Country for support & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

District of Kentucky Sct

On this 18th day of September 1820 Personally appeared in Open court it being a court of record as it is so declared by the law of said State Establishing the Same and being a Circuit Court for the state aforesaid John Barnes aged 64 years resident in Harrison county in said Circuit who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows he Enlisted the first time in Spotsylvania County Virginia on the [blank] day of [blank] 1776 under Captain Oliver Towles belonging to Colo Mordeica Buckners [sic: Mordecai Buckner's] Regiment of infantry it being the sixth regiment of the Continental line that he served in that corps 2 years during which time he was in the Battles of Trenton Germantown Brandywine Princetown & at the Mud Island fort [Siege of Fort Mifflin, 10 Oct - 15 Nov 1777] and many other skirmishing engagements that he enlisted the second time in Captain Page's Company belonging to Colo George Baylors Regiment of light Dragoons said regiment being afterwards commanded by Colo Washington and whilst he was a soldier in said Regiment he was taken Prisoner that he has drawn a Pension heretofore the number of his Certificate being 11550 and Dated 28th day of May 1819. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed towit 50 acres of land at \$2 per acre \$100 one hundred acres of land at \$1 per acre \$100 one mare & colt at \$40 18 hoggs @ \$1 each \$18 seven sheep @ \$1 each \$7. I am by Occupation a farmer but I am unable to support myself and family by my labor as I have four Children towit two small girls and 2 small boys the Eldest Girl named Sally 16 years old the Eldest boy named Armistead aged 15 years Samuel aged 14 years and Betsy aged 11 or 12 years living with me one of my Daughters being sickly and also one of my sons the eldest being verry subject to sickness and from that cause they are able to render me little or no Assistance Sworn to and Declared on the 18th day of September 1820 before John Trimble a Circuit Judge of the

Second Judicial District of the State aforesaid

John Barnes

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). Another online document is illegible.]

I do Certify that Jno Barnes enlisted for the War March 81 in Baylors Dragoons & servd the full turn of his Enlistment [William Barret VAS1197] fly Capt

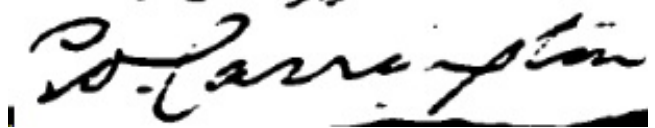
Baylors Dragoons
March 1 1785



[The following two documents evidently pertain to a different John Brnes.]

I hereby Certify that John Barnes late a soldier in Col Harrisons [Charles Harrison] regiment [the rest undeciphered; said to be signed by Drury Ragsdale BLWt1854-300]

John Barnes was [several undeciphered words] enlisted for at least three years, and probably for the War.
[Edward Carrington W6635] L Col



NOTE: On 11 Mar 1841 Milly Barnes, 73, applied for a pension stating that she married John Barnes on 27 Nov 1784, and he died 5 Aug 1840. On 17 Feb 1844 she gave her age as 77 and the year of marriage as "1782 or 3." A deposition dated 19 June 1845 states that at age 19 Milly Barnes married John Barnes in Culpeper County VA, that Milly Barnes was still living, and that their eldest son, James Barnes, was born a year after the marriage and was 60 years old. The deposition also states that the family moved to Bourbon County KY about 1795 or 1796 before settling in Harrison County.