

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Jacob St. John VAS4617
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#). This may be the same Jacob St. John of Charlotte County VA who filed federal pension application W6178, but the service claimed is quite different.]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia—

The Memorial of the heirs, and legal representatives, of Jacob St. John, deceased, late of Charlotte County, who was a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That the said Jacob St. John, in the Spring of 1776, enlisted as a soldier in Charlotte, under Capt John Brent [VAS2630], for the term of three years, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col. Lawson [Robert Lawson VAS850] and General Stevens [Edward Stevens VAS1922]. That he served the said term of three years faithfully, and was honorably discharged from service. All of which, will more readily appear by reference to the Army Register of the Continental line, and the accompanying certificates of soldiers, who served with him.

That the said Jacob St. John, in his life time never drew Land Bounty from the state of Virginia on account of his services as aforesaid: nor have his heirs, or legal representatives, since his death.

Your Memorialist, therefore, humbly pray, that the Executive of Virginia, will grant them the usual quantity of Land, allowed a soldier of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment 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.

Jacob X St John

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

This day Jacob St John, a son and heir of Jacob St John, deceased, who was a soldier of the Revolution, 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 17th day of September 1838.

John H. Marshall J.P.

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with Jacob St. John, late of Charlotte, in the Revolutionary war, and recollect distinctly, that he enlisted in the Spring of 1776, under Capt John Brent in Charlotte, for the term of Three years, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stevens. He served the said term of three years faithfully, and was regularly discharged from service, I am in the 87th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Given under my hand this 20th day of September, 1838.

James Mullings [S10251]



Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with Jacob St. John, late of Charlotte, in the Revolutionary war; and know the fact as coming within my personal knowledge, that in the Spring of 1776, in Charlotte, County, he enlisted as a soldier under Capt John Brent, to serve for the period of three years, and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stevens. He served the said period of three years, and was honorably discharged from service. I am in the 79th year of my age and was a soldier in the war of the Revolution

Given under my hand this 21st day of September, 1838.

Thomas hisXmark Harvey [Thomas Harvey R4715]

It appears from the testimony filed in this case that St John enlisted in spring of 1776 he could not therefore have enlisted for three years claim rejected DC [Gov. David Campbell]