

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Connor S35858 VA
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State of Kentucky
Christian County Sct

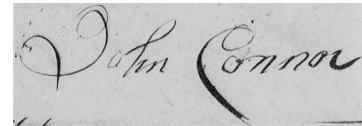
John Connor a citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and County aforesaid declares that in the month of January in the year 1779 he enlisted and entered the service of the united States as a private soldier in Captain [John] Sharp's Company in the Legion Regiment of Infantry from Virginia, Virginia line, Commanded by Col [Charles] Armand on the Continental Establishment

That he Continued in the Regiment aforesaid as a private soldier against the Common Enemy from the period first aforesaid untill the month of November in the year 1783 and at which period, at York Town Pennsylvania he received by order Gen. Armand an honourable discharge which is now lost

That he is now old and Infirm & in consequence of his reduced Circumstances in life; he is absolutely in need of assistance from his Country for support. He is therefore induced to ask the aid offered by Government by the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the united States in the Revolutionary War."

That he releases and relinquishes his claim to every pension heretofore allowed him by the Laws of the united States.

October 31 1818



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On the 4th day of September 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the said County John Connor aged 67 years in December next Resident in Christian County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath Declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows He enlisted in the State of Virginia during the fall of the year 1778 he was a private in Captain Sharps Company & in Colonel Armands Legion & also belonged to the Virginia line on Continental establishment – his Original Declaration was dated the [blank] day [blank] 1819 the number of his Certificate is 4759 he has not yet Received any part of his pension he was in no engagement & was honourably Discharged in 1783 but from the length of time has lost it, 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 Viz. One Cow & Calf & an Uncommon Cow having only Three Legs One Sow & four Shoats One half dozen plates & one half dozen knives & forks By Occupation a Schoolmaster but from a great failure of Eye sight & other Bodily Disabilities he is not able to attend a School – One Son Twenty four years of age who is married & Living to himself One Daughter 31 years of age who is also married & Living at a Distance from him the name of the son is Benj Conner & the name of the Daughter is Abigail Withers Jno. Conner [does not appear to be a signature]

NOTES:

On 7 Sep 1832 Thomas C. Withers, heir of John Connor as the husband of his sole surviving daughter Abigail, assigned power of attorney to obtain bounty land from the US government. The [Revolutionary bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#) show that on 2 Nov 1833 100 acres of bounty land were granted by Virginia to Abigail Withers, daughter and only heir of John Connor.

A report to Gov. Tazewell dated 17 Jun 1834 regarding John Conner (BLWt2380-100) states that "There were two John Conners, soldiers in Armands Legion – as an inspection of the list will prove. One of them is named on page 4 – the other on page 5 – of the printed list No 6 – the claim of one was reported upon to yr Govt. May 27th 1834." See also John Shehee (Conner) S36302.