

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Black S37783

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Georgia Jackson County } In the Superior Court of said County, September Term 1820

On this twenty seventh day of September 1820, personally appeared in open court (being a court of Record according to the Constitution & Laws of this State) John Black, age sixty-one years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820. That he the said John Black enlisted for the term of three years in or about the month of July in the year 1777 in the State of South Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Risbo [sic, probably Henry Richbourg] afterwards commanded by Captain James Hathorne [sic, James Hawthorne], & afterwards by Captain Henry Hampton, in the sixth Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] & afterwards by Colonel William Henderson in the line of the State of South Carolina on Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said corps for three years until the summer of the year 1780 when he was discharged from the said service, being at the time of his discharge a recruiting Sergeant in the upper part of South Carolina with his Captain Henry Hampton, by whom his discharge was signed & which discharge was transmitted by mail to the War department in March last with an application then made by him for a pension under the act of 18th March 1818 since which time he has never heard of his application or discharge. The declarant saith he afterwards entered the State service in Colonel Maham's [Hezekiah Maham's] Regiment of horse & served in that during the war. That while in Continental service he was in the battle at Stono [June 20, 1779], & was under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] when he came on the back of the British when they first came down upon Charleston from thence into Stono where the battle was.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" 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. The declarant further saith that he is by occupation a farmer or planter, that he hath residing with him a wife aged 58 years, & two children wanted a son named William G. Black aged 17 years

& a daughter named Jane aged 13. They are both healthy but the boy is a cripple from his youth. That this deponent owns no land or other property than is contained in the schedule hereto annexed viz.

1 lame & old horse

2 Cows & three yearlings & one calf

1 sow & 10 days

1 shovel plough 1 axe, 1 iron wedge, 1 pair trace chains 2 beds & furniture, 1 table, & small portion of crockery & other wares 1 pot 1 oven 1 skillet, & about three dollars in debts due to me. He concurs [?] all he is worth not to exceed one hundred dollars.

S/ Jno Black



Sworn to & declared before me this 27th day of September 1820

S/ Edward Adams, deputy clerk

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Georgia Hall County} Personally came in open Court, being a Court of Record according to the laws and Constitution of this State, John Hamilton,¹ and Christian Willson, and on their oaths, depose and say, that John Black Applicant, did of their own knowledge, enlist and serve nine months or more in the sixth Regiment of the South Carolina line on Continental Establishment, commanded by Colonel Thomas Sumter.

Sworn & subscribed in open Court September 20th, 1821

S/ John Hamilton, X his mark

S/ Christian Wilson, X his mark

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Georgia Hall County} On this 2twentiethay of March 1822 personally appeared in open Court (being a court of Record according to the laws & Constitution of this State) for the said County John Black aged sixty-three years Resident in the County and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows:

That he the said John Black enlisted for the term of three years in or about the month of July in the year 1777 in the State of South Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Risbo [Henry Richbourg] afterwards commanded by Captain James Hathorn [sic, James Hawthorne] and afterwards by Captain Henry Hampton in the sixth Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] and afterwards by Colonel William Henderson in the line of the State of South Carolina in the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said corps for three years until the summer of the year 1780 when he was discharged from the said service, being at the time of his discharge a recruiting Sergeant in the upper part of South Carolina with his Captain Henry Hampton who his discharge was signed and which discharge was transmitted by mail to the war department in March 1820.

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 whatever

¹ [John Hamilton S37981](#)

disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" 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. The declarant further saith that he is by occupation a farmer or planter that he hath residing with him a wife aged fifty-nine [? last digit unclear] years and named Martha ~~and two children one a son named William G. Black aged ___ years and a Daughter named Jane Black aged 17 years~~ ^{she is} ~~they are both healthy but a son William G. Black is a cripple from his infancy~~ that this deponent owns no land or other property than is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and subscribed by this deponent --
to wit

- 1 Lame horse about 16 or 17 years old
- 1 Cow and calf and for Heifers
- 1 Sow and six pigs and two year old hogs
- 1 Ewe lamb
- 1 Iron wedge 1 axe
- 2 ploughs 1 weeding hoe
- 1 pair of Horse gears
- 1 pot 1 oven 1 spider
- 1 set knives & forks

the above Schedule applicant saith includes every article of value by him on or property necessary bedding and clothing excepted

Sworn to in open Court this 20th of March 1822

S/ Jno Black

S/ Augustin S. Clayton, Judge

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing March 20th 1822, for three years service as a private in the South Carolina line.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts² relating to John Black AA23
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 514

[p 3 Form of Indent No. 9 Book A dated May 11, 1792 issued to Mr. John Black for "Sixty Seven Pounds Four Shillings Sterling being for Pay due him for Fourteen Months and Twelve Days Duty as a Private (from the 9th November 1781 to 20th January 1783) in Colonel Maham's Regiment of Cavalry."

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² The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [ENTER ON-LINE RECORDS INDEX](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Individual" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

[p 5: Form of Indent No. 14, Book A dated May 11, 1792 issued to John Black “for the Sum of Fifty Six Pounds Sterling for Twelve months duty as a private for the 10th of November 1781 to the 10th of November 1782 in Colo. Maham’s Regt. of Cavalry [sic]”]