Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Green S37960

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On this 14th Day of September 1819. Before me one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia Personally appeared John Green aged 67 years & Resident of the County & State aforesaid aforesaid & made the following Declaration on Oath (in order to obtain the Provisions 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 War) That He the s'd John Green Enlisted either in the Month of January or Febuary in the year 1776 in the County of Goochland & State of Virginia as a private Soldier in the Regular Army of the United States on the Continental Establishment in the Company Commanded By Capt. Samuel Woodson of the 9th Regt. Virginia Line & that He Remained attached to s'd Company & to the service of the U. States untill His Discharge which He Received on the 14th of December 1777. Signed By Brig'r Gen'l. P Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] (& which Discharge is Herewith Exhibited) which was given to Him Near the Gulph Mills in Pensylvania & that whilst in s'd Service He was in the Battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] White Horse [or Skirmish of the Clouds, 16 Sep 1777] & another the Name of Which He Does Not Recollected – But was Commanded in the same By Gen'l Mughlenburg – This affiant further Declares on oath that when He made His former Declaration on the 15th of Sept 1818 Herewith annexed & which was Rejected By the Department of War that Either His Memory (which is frail) Led Him into the Mistake in Stating His Enlistment to Have taken Place in the year 1775 or that the Error was made By the Person who wrote His Declaration & that His Memory is Still uncertain as to Precise Dates His Enlistment May Have taken Place somewhat Sooner than Here Stated But is under the Belief that He Enlisted in one of the Months Heretofore Stated for the term of two years & [illegible word] His Discharge was Procured By Majr Loyd [Lloyd?] one of the aids of Genl. Green a Short time Before the Term of His Enlistment Expired in order to accompany s'd Loyd in the Capacity of a Servant to His Home.

He further Declares that He knows of no other Evidence of His Being in s'd Service Wheih is now Living & that from His Extreme Indigence Reduced Circumstances & old age He Needs the assistance of His County for Support –

John Green a Soldier in the 9th Virg'a Reg't. is hereby discharged from the Service, the term for which he inlisted being expired. Given under my hand at Camp this 14th of Decemb'r 1777

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Virginia, Rockbridge County SS.

On this 31 day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid which proceeds according to the course of the Common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of their proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment, John Green aged sixty eight years resident in sd County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. That he enlisted either in the month of Jan or Febr in the year 1776 in the County of Goochland and State of Virginia as a private Soldier in the regular Army of the U States on Continental establishment in the Company Commanded by Capt. S Woodson of the 9th Regt Virginia line & that he served in said Company and army untill his discharge which was on the 14th day of Dec'r 1777 & that he was in the Battles of Brandywine White Horse and one other, as will appear by his former declaration dated 14th Sept'r 1819 & I the said John Green do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States

on the 18th day of March 1818 & that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with an intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval Service of the United States during 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 & by me subscribed to wit. Six Cups & Saucers two pots and one oven and nothing more except my Bed and wearing Clothes. that his occupation is that of a planter, but that he is entirely unable to pursue it. that none of his family is living with him but that he lives with one of his sons who is about 28 years of age and who is in indigent circumstances John hisXmark Green

[Green made a nearly identical declaration on 11 April 1821.]