Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Hefferlin S38012 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State and District of Virginia Frederick County Sct.

On this 25th day of April 1818 before me the subscriber sole and presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Law for the said County in the State aforesaid personally appears John Hefferlin aged fifty-six years, resident in the said County, State and District, who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath 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 and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war". That he the said John Hefferlin in the latter part of the year 1776 enlisted as a private soldier in Captain John Mountjoy's Company belonging to the tenth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment in the County of Stafford in Virginia aforesaid, that he served out faithfully the term of his enlistment which was 3 years, after which he enlisted in Captain Guns [probably James Gunn's Regiment of Cavalry afterwards attached to the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel William Washington, in which Corps he served until the end of the War, when he was discharged in South Carolina. That he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Powles Hook [Paulus Hook, August 19, 1779], Hobkirks Hill or the second battle of Camden [April 25, 1781] & Guilford Court house [March 15, 1781], besides the periods skirmishes. That he has no other evidence of his said services except the annexed certificate of Thomas Fox 1 and the affidavit of William Ball: That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of his Country's aid for a support. Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ Robert White

District and State of Virginia Frederick County Sct.

___ made oath before me judge of the Superior Court of law for the said County of Frederick in the said State of Virginia William Ball.² That he served in the revolutionary Army in the third Virginia Regiment of Dragoons on the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel William Washington. That he knew the aforesaid John Hefferlin who served in the first Regiment commanded by Colonel White [Anthony Walton White] in the fourth troop commanded by Captain Gun. That afterwards the first and third regiments combined into one Regiment which was called the third Regiment and commanded by Colonel Washington and that the said Hefferlin served in the said Regiment during the year 1782 and 1783. And that he understood that he had been transferred from the infantry to the Cavalry.

Sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.

¹ Very likely the same man as **Thomas Fox BLWt765-300** and **Thomas Fox R14268**

² William Ball W3376

S/ Robert White

Virginia

At a Court continued and held for Frederick County the 2nd day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court – being a Court of Record for the said County – John Hefferlin aged about sixty years resident in the said County of Frederick who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War in the company commanded by Captain John Mountjoy in the 10th Regiment commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens] in the Virginia line and that he hath received a certificate for a pension Number 339 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 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, excepting necessary clothing and bedding viz.:

One Broken Table, one cracked oven, one ax & one mattock

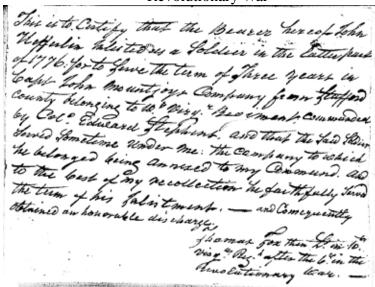
S/ John Hefferlin, X his mark

I am a laboring man and very infirm and almost blind, I have 2 small children who are put out for I have lately lost my wife, and have no person to take care of them.

S/ John Hefferlin, X his mark

This is to Certify that the Bearer hereof John Hefferlin enlisted as a Soldier in the latter part of 1776 for to serve the term of Three years in Captain John Mountjoy's Company from Stafford County belonging to the 10th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens, and that the said Soldier served some time under me: the company to which he belonged being annexed to my command, and to the best of my recollection he faithfully served the term of his enlistment. – And consequently obtained an Honorable discharge.

S/ Thomas Fox then Lieutenant in 10th Virginia Regiment after the 6th in the Revolutionary War



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 25, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]