

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Harbison S38788

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State of Tennessee Blount County:

This 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818 came before me Joseph Duncan one of the Justices and one of the Judges of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions and Court of Quorum of the County aforesaid said Court being a Court of record personally appears John Harbison aged seventy years and resident in said County who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of the late act of Congress which provides for persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war to wit that he the said John Harbison in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year 1775 enlisted as a private soldier in the Service of the United States for the term of one year in a Company of Rifle men commanded by Captain Daniel Morgan in a Regiment commanded by Colonel \_\_ Arnal [Benedict Arnold] in a brigade commanded by General \_\_ Montgomery [Richard Montgomery] which term of time for which he enlisted he faithfully served the United States against the Common enemy. That he was in the Battles of Québec [December 31, 1775] & was taken prisoner 10<sup>th</sup> [could be 20<sup>th</sup>] December 1775 then in jail till 6<sup>th</sup> August 1776 then paroled and sent home and never was Discharged. That he knows of no means but his own oath to establish his said Service. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support. That he never has been a Pensioner and only claims to be one under the provisions of the above recited act.

Sworn to and declared before me the date above.

S/ Joseph Duncan, Judge

S/ John Harbison



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 26, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]