

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Garner S39557

VA

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Virginia to wit

I William A G Dade, one of the Judges of the General Court presiding in the 3^d Judicial Circuit, which comprehends the County of King George – Certify that John Garner, of the aforesaid County of King George came before me on the 25th April 1818 and declared on oath. That he enlisted as a soldier in Capt. Gustavus B. Wallaces [Gustavus Brown Wallace's] Company of Infantry in the 3^d Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, in the year 1776. That he remained in that Reg't. until during the encampment of the American Army at Valley Forge [winter 1777-78] when his Term of enlistment expired – and he then reenlisted in the Cavalry under Capt. William Washington in [Stephen] Moylan's Corps and he served about three years in the Cavalry until his Term of enlistment in it also expired – but altho he obtained a certificate of Discharge, considering it of no value he has lost it. He further declared, that he is in such reduced circumstances, as to make it necessary, that he should avail himself of the provision of the late act of Congress for the Relief of the Officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary Army.

District of Virginia

King George County to wit;

On this 1st day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a court of record) made so by express statute for the said County of King George and State of Virginia John Garner aged sixty seven 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 acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & the 1st of May 1820. That he the said John Garner enlisted for the term of two years in the year of 1776 (the day he does not recollect) in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt. Gustavus B. Wallace in the Regiment commanded by Colo. Hugh Mercer in the line of the Sate of Virginia on the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in the said Corps until the year of 1778 and until the expiration of the term of two years for which he had enlisted. That he then enlisted in the horse service with Capt. Wm. Washington in Colo. Maylans' Regiment and continued to serve in that Regiment until he was discharged at Lancaster Town in the State of Pensylvania about November or December 1780 That he was a soldier in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777] whilst he remained in the foot service & in various other military skirmishes – and that he has no other [evidence now in his power of his said servises except Peter Hansborough, James Went & Hosea Rogers pension application S38333] And in pursuance of the act of the 1st 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 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 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. Viz. one old bay mare, one Cow & Calf, four old chains and one old chest. That I have no profession or occupation but that of Farmer which I am not now able to pursue. That I have now only my wife nearly of my own age in my family

John hisXmark Garner

[The following is from [bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#). Two other documents are illegible in the online image.]

Fred'bg [Fredericksburg] Dec'r. 16th 1783

Jno. Garner a soldier in my Comp'y in the 3^d V R enlisted in the horse service at Valley Forge
the 2^d of Dec'r. 177[?] [signed] Gus's. B. Wallace/ Lt. Colo 2^d VR