

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Adam Goff S39594

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The declaration of Adam Goff of Leesburg in the County of Loudoun and State of Virginia declareth That he belonged to the Army of the revolution, that he belonged to Cap't. George Johnson's company, that he enlisted in Sept'r. 1775 for one year, that he was discharged in Sept'r 1776, that he reenlisted in Jan'y 1777 in Cap't. Peyton Harrison's Company of the 2d Virg'a. Regiment – Virg'a. line for three years, that he continued in the same Company Two years and three Months, at which period he enlisted, during the war, and obtained a furlough for four months to return home, that at the expiration of his furlough he was ordered to join the Eighteen Months men under Gen'l. Scott [Charles Scott BLWt2055-850], and with them went to the South and continued till the peace, then I obtained a furlough and continued at home till I was discharged at Winchester by Gen'l. Mullenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] And I do also declare that from my having a large Family to support, and being in reduced circumstances I need the assistance of my Country for support. [11 Apr 1818]

Virginia, Loudoun County Sc:

On this 16th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid Adam Goff aged sixty four years next September – resident in Leesburg in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War in the 2nd Va. Regiment, in the Company commanded by Capt. Harrison under Colo. Spotswood [Alexander Spotswood R18089] in the Virginia line, that the number of his pension certificate is 4,803, bearing date the 8th day of December in the year 1818 — 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself withing the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled “An act to provide for certain person 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. No real estate. Personal estate as follows, One Iron Tea Kettle – 2 old skilletts – 2 flat irons – one Axe – 2 old hoes – 2 Common water buckets – 3 pewter spoons – 3 chairs, two split bottomed, & one Windsor – 3 plates of the common kind, one green edged, & the other white – 1 tin Coffee pot – 1 common Tea pot, 3 Iron pots – 2 white common bowls – 1 quart glass tumbler – 1 washing Tub, 2 earthen pots – 1 earthen pitcher – potters ware – 1 Young Cow worth \$10 & a calf worth \$5 twelve weeks old – 1 pig 4 months old – 1 poplar Table, & some old knife blades with no handles. My employment was formerly a saddler. But I cannot now make scarcely any thing, nor have I made but very little for a long time at it; and besides this, it is hard to get work of that kind to do. my family is in number 10, A son named James, 16 years of age subject to fits, Catherine 13 – Elizabeth 10 – George 8. Hannah 6. Ellen 5, Margaret and Nancy twins 2 years old, and my wife Letitia who is 43 years of age, not healthy.

Adam Goff

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). Some items in the file are illegible.]

I do certify that Adam Goff enlisted in my Company in the 2nd Virginia Regiment of Continental troops in [undeciphered] and served as a common soldier one year and eight months when he was appointed & acted as a Sergeant and [undeciphered word] the further time of three years and eight months to the time of his discharge by Brig'r Gen'l Muhlenberg. Given under my hand this [undeciphered] 1783
A Copy Jno White Jno P Harrison [John Peyton Harrison] late Capt. 2^d Virg'a Reg't

Loudoun County to wit

This day Edward Rinker aged seventy four years made Oath before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County of Loudoun aforesaid – that he the said Edward Rinker was a Sergant in Capt. Francis Willis’s Company in the Sixteenth Virginia Regiment during which time he was well acquainted with Adam Goff – that he is certain that the said Adam Goff Inlisted for the term of during the War Given under my hand Sept’r 1st 1806

Samuel Murray

I do hereby Certify that Adam Goff of the County of Loudoun was a Sargeant in Captain Jno P Harrisons Company to which company I was attached in the year 1778 and that I do Believe that the said Goff served during the Revolutionary war tho I cannot ascertain the [illegible] not having Possession of the Company [undeciphered word] & his Captain & all the other officers of the company are dead

Given under my hand this 13th day of Oct’r 1809

Thomas Parker
formerly Lieutenant
2nd Virg^a Continental Reg’t



Loudoun County – Commonwealth of Virginia to Wit

This day Samuel Dunlop [Samuel Dunlap S39466], aged about fifty three years formerly of this County, made Oath before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County of Loudoun, that Adam Goff now an inhabitant of the Town of Leesburg, & the County of Loud’n aforesaid, was a Sergeant in Cap Peyton Harrison Company in the 2^d Virginia Regiment, and that the s’d Adam Goff Inlisted for during the War and was returned as such during the same. Given under [the rest obscured by the following]

[several undeciphered lines]

C Blagrove Reg.

Land office/ Jan’y 21st[?] 1810.

NOTE: A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Adam Gough/ age 24/ height 5 9/ Sadler/ born in Baltimore MD/ resided in Loudoun County/ hair black/ eyes black/ complexion fair/ enlisted for duration of the war.