

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Arthur S39944

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Bedford County [PA] Ss.

Came before me the Subscriber an Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County, John Arthur a Resident Citizen of Greenfield Township in said Count who being duly sworn deposeth & saith, that in the spring of the year seventeen hundred & seventy six he Enlisted in a company of Infantry on the Continental Establishment commanded by Captain Baytoff [sic: Baytop] in Col. Heaths [sic: William Heth's] Regiment of the 3^d. Virginia line & was under the command of Gen'l. The Marquiss De La Fayette [see endnote] & served in the Revolutionary war for three years during said time was in the Battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] & Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] in which latter engagement deponant was wounded in the groin by a Musquet Ball that he was honorably discharged at Bon brook [sic: Bound Brook NJ] near Brunswick in Jersey that his discharge was burned in a house belonging to deponants brother which was consumed by fire many years since & that he hath not now any written evidence of [page torn] service in his possession. That after his service of three years he [two illegible words] Bedford County in Captain Boyds Company of Rangers during the war & served until the close of the war was in several campaigns against the Indians & at the Battle of Freelands Fort that his said service was collectively more than six years on the Continental Establishment in the Revolutionary War against the common Enemy & that he is now in reduced circumstances in life & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support & that he hath never heretofore received any pension from the United States & if by any act of Congress he has hither to been entitled to any he hereby releases the same

Sworn to & subscribed this 26 day of Jan'y. 1819

[signed] John Arthur

[Certified by Benjamin Frasar, BLWt402-100.]

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of Pennsylvania	}	D Mann
Bedford County	Ss }	

On this 5th day of September 1820 personally appeared in open court at a Court of Common Pleas now holden in & for Bedford County said Court being a Court of Record in & for said County;

John Arthur a resident of said County aged sixty five years and upwards a resident in said county who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, to wit that he enlisted in the year 1776 in Prince Edward county Virginia with Captain Baytoff in the 7th Regt & was transfered to the 3^d Regt in the Virginia commanded by Col. Heath that he served in said Regt three years against the Common Enemy in the Revolutionary War, that he was discharged at Bon brook in Jersey – all which together with his other services are set forth in his original declaration forwarded to the war department, on which a pension certificate issued to him signed J C Calhoun Secretary of War dated [blank] numbered [blank] that he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown & Monmouth & in sundry skirmishes against the Enemy, & I the said John Arthur 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 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.

List of all the property of John Arthur of Greenfield Township & the value of the same.

1 mare valued	@ \$25.00
1 Do at	10.00
1 Heiffer	8.00
4 Sheep	4.00
1 Waggon	16.00
1 Plough	2.00
1 Harrow	4.00
4 Choats [probably shoats]	4.00
2 Sets of Horse gears	3.00
1 Cutting box	1.50
3 Chaff beds	4.00
Sundry household & kitchen furniture	3.00
1 Calf	.50
1 Table	<u>1. 0</u>
	\$86.00

NOTE: The Marquis de Lafayette did not obtain a commission until 31 Jul 1777.