Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Walker S48765

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State of Tennesee Roan [sic] County April 27th 1818

This Day personly appeared before me Robert White one of the Judges of the Supram Court of Erors and Appeals of the State of Tenesee John Walker and being Duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth and Sayeth that he Inlisted a Solder in Capt'n Mathew Arbuckels [sic: Mathew Arbuckle's Company of Regulars Raised in Botetourt County Virginia for the Term of one year and was stationed at the mouth of the Great Kenaway [sic: Kanawha River at Point Pleasant in present West Virginia] and served the Term of Inlistment and was discharged by said Capt'n Arbuckel the 16th of October 1776 and the August following the 11th Day he Inlisted in a Reagement of horse Commanded by Colo. George Bailer [sic: George Baylor] in Capt'n Cadader Joen's [sic: Cadwallader Jones's] Company Colo Bailer got wounded [at Old Tappan NJ, 28 Aug 1778] and Colo William Washington took command of the Reagement and he the said Walker served in said Reagement to the end of August 1780 when he was Discharged [Several words illegible] in Indigent circumstances and needs help from his Country and Deposidet his Discharg with the Register of the land office of Virginia April 27th 1818

John Mather

State of Tennessee Roane County DISTRICT OF East Tennessee Amended declaration.

On this 14th day of September 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the said district, personally appeared John Walker aged sixty four years, resident in Roane County in the said 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 Walker enlisted for the term of three years on the Eleventh day of August in the year seventeen hundred & seventy seven in Botetourt County in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Cadwaller Jones of the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Balor in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the 11th August 1780, when he was discharged from service in the Town of Halifax state of North Carolia, that he was in the battles of Monmouth [28] Jun 1778] & the Seige of Charles Town [sic: Charleston SC, spring 1780] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. The Afidavit of Sam'l. Walker [Samuel Walker, pension application S39117] as Evidence of his services John Salle

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid.

State of Tennessee Roane County

On this 25th day of October 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record in said County John Walker aged 66 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows he enlisted as a regular soldier in the third Regiment of Dragoons commanded by George Bailor in the fourth troop of sd Reg't. commanded by Cadwaller Jones on the 11th of August 1777 for the term of three years was in the battle of Monmouth and frequent skirmishes during the Siege of Charlstown and many other incident to said Regiment during said term of enlistment. And was put on the pension list the 27th of April 1818. No14243 [sic: 15243]. And do solemnly swear that he was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or any other manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income whatever. His family being all grown and out of his jurisdiction having no real estate, his personal estate consisting of his bed & bed cloths & no occupation formerly a planter

Sworn to in open court 25th Oct'r

[The following is from Bounty-Land records in the Library of Virginia. Part of the page is missing at the places marked *.]

August 11th 1780

[signed] W. Washingto[*]

I do hereby certify that John Walker was a Citizen of Virginia when he Inlisted into the 3rd Regiment of Cavalry Sam'l. Walker Lt

Colo Gest [sic: Nathaniel Gist's] Regt/ Oct'r 15th 1783

NOTES:

Compare the pension application of Samuel Walker S39117. See the pension application of George Hight (W19769), who served with John Walker, for further details.

A letter in the file written some time after 1939 indicates that there had been some confusion between this John Walker and John Walker S39118. The letter includes the following: "Ctf. 15243, John Walker – issued Sept. 29, 1819, \$8.00 per months, com. Apr. 27, 1818. Tenn Agency. Papers in that office show that that John Walker died Feb. 2, 1830; last payment of pension Aug. 16, 1830 to John M. Walker atty. for the heirs named below, (this John Walker's, the soldier's, wife Margaret having died in Aug. 1819) heirs and children (same): Audley P. Walker, Jane P. Walker, Margaret Walker, Elizabeth M. Walker, Barbara Walker, Nancy Walker, Catharine Walker Galloway, wife of James Galloway, all living in Roane Co. Tenn, in 1830, and John B. Walker then (1830) a res. of Alabama (Morgan Co)."