## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Day W4177 Joanna Day VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1856 personally appeared before me Joanna Day widow of John Day dec'd. who made oath that her said husband was a private Soldier during the Revolutionary War, that she is his widow, that she was married to him on the [blank] day of February 1799 by one Parson Boggs a Minister of the Gospel in the County of Spotsylvania State of Virginia

That He died in the County of Spotsylvania State of Virginia on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September 1826 that he never Rec'd. any Pension during his life nor has she since his death, that she has often heard him say that he served at Williamsburg and was also at York that he would be about 92 years of age if living, that she is now about 86 years of age, that he went from Hanover Co Va that she hereby appoints G. W. Stephens of Hanover Co Va with power of Substitution to prosecute the said Claim, that she claims a Pension under the act of that she refers to the rolls from the State of Virginia for further particulars, at Washington D. C.

STATE OF *Virginia* } COUNTY OF *Spotsylvania* }

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September A.D., 1856 personally appeared before me, a Justice of the peace, within and for the County and State, aforesaid Mrs Joanna Day Day [sic] aged 86 years, a resident of the County of Spotsylvania in the State of Virginia who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of John Day deceased, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain [blank] in the Regiment of [blank] commanded by Col. [blank] in the War of the Revolution that she was married to the said John Day in Spotsylvania on the [blank] day of February in the year 1799, that her maiden name was Joanna Taylor that her said husband died in the year 1826 and that she is now a widow. That she believes her husband was in Service during the War & went from the County of Hanover Co Va in 1775 or 1776.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under Act of March 3d, 1855, never having received nor applied for bounty land under this or any other Act of Congress

She hereby appoints JOHN S. & RO. H. GALLAHER, her attorneys to prosecute and receive her warrant.

State of Virginia }

County of Hanover } On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1857 personally appeared before me William W Mallory a Justice of the Peace Colonel William D Taylor a resident of said County & State who made oath that He is now about seventy six years of age that he was well acquainted with John Day from his recollection to the day of the said John Day's Death in 1826 that the said Day married Joanna Taylor & resided in Spotsylvania for a long time previous to & at his Death. That he has often heard the said Day talk of being in the Service of the Revolution & heard him speak of how much he could eat in the Army, and of performing military Service as a private Soldier while in said army and that he had never Received any Pension from the Government of the U States. That He went into service from the County of Hanover — in the State of Virginia, that he believes she was married in the year 1799. that He well recollects the marriage of the said Day to his present widow, who now lives in Spotsylvania County Virginia, that He has known her ever since he could Recollect & was never more certain of any

fact than that she is the identical widow of the identical John Day whom he has often heard speak of his being in the Revolutionary Service & she has for several years passed talked of said claim. That the said Mrs Joanna Day has never married since the said John Day's death & is still living in the County of Spotsylvania (adjacent County) That the said John Day never Rec'd. any Pension in his life time and that he lived upon his own resources (or in other words) was not a pauper upon his County; He also further declares he has no interest in this claim of Mrs Joanna Day. He also further states that he frequently heard his Father and Uncle laugh at the said John Day about his not geting enough to eat while in the army.

[William D. Taylor]

Mr Stephens

Dear Sir I received yours of the 24<sup>th</sup> Inst, about old Mr Adams & Mr Thomas Kings claims for Service in the War of 1812. They have been refused as Mr Dickinson of Washington City informs me saying they did not serve fourteen days, now I served a short time in Cap Joseph F. Prices company. I had employed Mr Wm Winston Woolfolk to get them. his brother in law Mr Dickinson is in the Pension Office now if you can get mine & Thomas Adams' I will give you a handsome Fee. I have been furnishing old Mr Adams for some time, which I shall loose if he dont get it. I know several who have receiv'd that did not serve longer than we did. I have an old Aunt in Spotsylvania who is intitled to a pension her husband my uncle John Day, I have heard him talking about being in service & heard others laughing at him about his eating so much, and I have another uncle who turns out to be intitled to a good deal as he had a wagon & Team in service & he was Wagon Master & I have heard him say he lost his Wagon & Team. Mr Sam'l Andrews of Spotsylvania has been writing to me about them, his heirs are poor & ought to be paid, it is probable if you were to see Mr Andrews that they would employ you to get them

I could not make out your first name so have cut off your Signature & inserted it in that way

Yours With Great Respect

Mr. John Day. Sir.

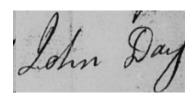
Please pay Jos. Herndon jr Nine pounds seventeen shillings & nine pence out of the money due me on acc't. of the Land Wm. Wilson Teste/ Wm Walters Sep'r. 7<sup>th</sup> 1804.

Sep'r. 7<sup>th</sup> 1804 I accept the within order to be paid the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December next.

Teste/ Wm Walters

Sir) let Ann Brooks have one Bushel of Corn of mine at the mill Mr Thomas Lipscomb

28 July 1817



[The following are from the bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia:]

THESE are to CERTIFY that the bearer hereof *John Day a private* in the *first artillery* regiment, having faithfully served the United States *from the first of Feb'ry 1783 to this date* and being inlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American army.

Given at the war office the 6<sup>th</sup> July 1783

By order of the secretary at war, [Gen. Benjamin Lincoln] *Jos. Carleton Sec'y*.

Registered in the books of the regiment.

William Eskridge Lt &-adjutant.

The s'd Day has Rec'd one month pay

War office, 1783

THE within CERTIFICATE shall not avail the bearer as a discharge, until the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace; previous to which time, and until proclamation thereof shall be made, he is to be considered as being on furlough.

B. LINCOLN

The auditor of Public Accts will please settle this Acc with Mr. Henry Banks Witness/John Minor

Colo. Merriweather [sic: Thomas Meriwether] will please Deliver Mr Henry Banks a Land Warrant due me for my Services in the 1<sup>st</sup> Artillary Reg't

value rec'd

Test/ John Minor

November 27<sup>th</sup> 1783

NOTE: The file contains a copy of a bond signed in Spotsylvania County on 25 Jan 1799 by John Day and John Humphries for the marriage of Day to Joannah Taylor of the same county.