

(8-1779)

SERVICE

NUMBER

N.B.

Peasley, John
or
Pastley

S.3646

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19046

Jonesboro Tennessee

John Pastley

Resident in the State of Tennessee
who was a private in the 10th Cavalry
commanded by Captain Cassin of the 1st
regiment in the War of 1861-62
for 14 months and 3 days

Died 7th November 1832

Inscribed on the Roll of Jonesboro 29th
the rate of 44 Dollars - - - - - Commence on the 5th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 17th day of April
1864 and given to John
John Blair Brown

Arrives to the 5th of March 1864 \$141.00
Pensioner allowance ending 1864 \$23.50

\$164.50

Revolutionary Claims
Act June 7, 1832.

Recorded by Jan 1832 Clerk,
Book 6 Vol. 1 Page 131

Transcript to read

See note within

Dead.

In Let. to W. O. Weston, Aug
28, 1837.

Order to pay (Laws 61) 1

Order to pay 20 Nov 1837
to be let for 1837

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Pages 1 thru
4 of this soldier's
declaration are
not in file. Unable
to locate.

A.D.

N. 043
Pension Declaration

John Parthey
" "

(the entire document)

to take the command in the plan of Maj. John
Melson, and his former Lieutenant Thomas Clarke
was also sentenced, he was then marched in various
directions and the command of 12 officers, until
the army was halted at a small Creek called
Eccles, near Stono. Then the American Army to
which he belonged, under the command of General
Lincoln attacked the British in their intrenchments
at Stono, which Battle lasted near two hours a
close engagement, he states that he was then
a Sergeant Capt. Dooman which afforded him
an opportunity of ascertaining the number of
Killed and Wounded. he states that in 12 engage-
-ment the Americans lost 64, Killed & 96. Wounded
the American Army retreated in order to surround
the British out of their intrenchments, but they
being reinforced, the American Army did not
make a second attack. the British then left
their intrenchments the next day after the Battle
and the Americans buried them dead, he does
not recollect whether the British were
commanded by General Beau or Clinton
from which place he was marched to

Ashley River near Charleston S. Carolina where
he remained some time. then they were marched
to Charleston S. Carolina where a part of the
men were discharged, from there a part of
the men were marched to Salisbury S. Carolina
and discharged, and others were marched from
Salisbury to Hillsborough, and discharged. so as
to suit the convenience of the soldiers. he states
that he was discharged at Hillsborough, by Colonel
Archibald Little, after having served the full
nine months. Subsequent to the parole above
named, and, he states that previous to his receiving
parole he served three weeks - under so enlistment
at the time spoken of when he was marched
to the north, and paroled, under which enlistment
he served nine months & three weeks - he states
that he made his home after he left the so
service at Colonel John Patton's in Gelford County
S. Carolina. where he had so discharge and also
his state certificate. whose house was
burned with the so discharge and
certificate, he states that his discharge home date
the last of August the year next recollecting.

in the States that in the Month following for James' title of Gelford County N. Carolina. for three months under Capt. George Stuart Lieutenant George Miles 1st Lieutenant & George Lemmy 2nd Lieutenant and was marched near Fittsville to what was called the Capt Swamps. against a body of Tories which were infesting that section of County he remained at that place some time until they were marched in pursuit of Colonel Faxon a Tory Commissioner. whose company he dispersed and returned him, after having served a Term of three months, he States he was shortly afterwards that same month after his return him to Gelford County N. Carolina. under Capt. Forbes. & General Green, to go against Lord Cornwallis. whose army at that time was in Gelford County N. Carolina. he was then marched to Gelford Courthouse, where the American Army fought a battle with the British. the Americans were commanded by General Green in which we were defeated we again rendezvoused at Buffingtons Tavern on the Tarboro Creek the banks of New River

where he was accompanied, after having served a term
of six weeks. he states that his friend Capt. Forbes - was
wounded in the Battle who afterwards died of his wound
but previous to his death. he received his discharge
from him - he states that he was in actual service
during the Revolutionary war. seven years months and
one week. exclusive of the time he was on furlough
which was six months. which in all would
make twenty three months and one week. he
states that he has no documentary evidence and
that he knows of no person, whose testimony he
can procure, who can testify to his service -
he also states that there is no resident Minister
of the Gospel in his neighborhood, whose
statement he can procure. he hereby relinquishes
every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity
except the present, and declares that his name is
not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any
State. Sworn to & Subscribed this day and
year aforesaid. ^{for} John Portley
~~Witness~~ ^{man}
All Bursley Flora & Samuel Vaughn residents
of the County of one and do hereby certify that we
are well acquainted with John Portley. He
subscribed and sworn to the above declaration

year ago said ^{John + Postley}
^{4330 North 10th St}
All Beverly Ford & Samuel Vaughn residents
of the County of Oregon do hereby certify that we
are well acquainted with John Postley.

has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration
that we believe him to be 45 years of age that
he is reputed & believed in the neighborhood where
he resides to have been a Soldier of the Revolution
and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to and subscribed ^{James F. Vaughn}
the day & year aforesaid ^{James F. Vaughn}

And the S^c Court do hereby declare their ^{meant} opinion after
the investigation of the matter, and after putting the
interrogatories proposed by the War Department that
the above named applicant was a Revolutionary
Soldier, and served as he states. And the S^c Court
further certifies, that it appears to them, that
there is no Licensed Minister of the Gospel in the
immediate neighborhood of the applicant, but
that Beverly Ford & Samuel Vaughn, who have
signed the preceding certificate are residents of Clatsop
County and are credible persons and that their
statements are entitled to credit.

No 43
Pension Application

John Postley

(the whole answer)

State of Tennessee

I Stockley Bell Mitchell clerk of the court
of pleas and quarter sessions of Hawkins County in the State
of Tennessee do hereby certify that the foregoing contains
the original proceedings in the case of the application
of John Postley for a Pension

In testimony whereof I have here to
set my hand and affixed my seal of
office this 31st day of August 1832

Stockley Bell Mitchell
By Wm. Mitchell Clerk

When he was examined, and was found to be
a person who was known to be

10. 043

John Pastley

Hartford Co. Ten ²

Jonesborough Agency
from - 1778 private
14 mo. 3 days

\$ 45.

3 months in a wagon not
allowed for.

John Pastley

P. Parsons

Knoxville

BRIEF in the case of John Petty
County of Hamilton in the State of Tennessee
 (Act 7th June, 1832.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *then Court*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *73 years*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years.	Months.	Days.		
In 1778		3		As a Private	Col. Petty
		9	21	Private	Capt. Cowan Col. Martin
		3			Gen. Ash Col. Little
		1	12		Capt. Forbes

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1.12

2. The Colonel states that he was in actual service seventeen months in the Low Creek

5. In what battles was he engaged? *None*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *just after a C. N. Coulter*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditionary evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *No testimony*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect?
Papers not attached as required

I **Certify** that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

Nicholas Coulter
 Examining Clerk.

April 11, 1939

Mrs. Harry Baumberger
316 N. Fourth Street
Greenville, Illinois

BA-J/ANF
John Peasley
S. 3646

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of John Paisley and William Paisley, both of Guilford County, North Carolina.

The Revolutionary War records of this office have been searched and no claim for pension found based upon service of William Paisley, under any spelling of the name.

The record which follows was obtained from papers on file in claim for pension, S. 3646, based upon service of John Peasley in the Revolutionary War. This is the record of the only John Peasley, (similar spellings of the surname were searched) found in file in the Revolutionary War records of this office. The name is shown, also, Pastley.

John Peasley was born in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, on the Schuylkill, one mile from Indian Creek. The date of his birth is not given, nor were the names of his parents stated. His parents died in Pennsylvania, and he moved when about seven years of age, with his uncle, William Peasley (Pastley), to Orange County, North Carolina.

While residing in Guilford County, North Carolina, John Peasley volunteered in the year 1778, served three months under Colonel John Pastley (Peasley) and drove a baggage wagon. He enlisted and served

nine months and three weeks as corporal and sergeant under Captains David Cowan, William Goodman, Colonels Alexander Martin, James Martin, Archibald Lytle, and Malmady, was in a skirmish near Augusta, Georgia, and in the battle of Stono. He served three months in Captain George Stewart's company, Colonel Henry Dixon's North Carolina regiment, and was in an engagement with the Tories at Raft Swamp. He served six weeks in Colonel James Martin's North Carolina regiment. He served three weeks in Captain Arthur Forbes' North Carolina company, and was in the battle of Guilford Court House. There are no definite dates of service given.

John Peasley stated that he made his home, during a part of the Revolution, with Colonel John Pastley (Peasley) in Guilford County, North Carolina.

After the Revolution, John Peasley lived in Burke and Wilkes Counties, North Carolina, then moved to Hawkins County, Tennessee.

John Peasley was allowed pension on his application executed August 29, 1832, at which time he was seventy-five years old, and a resident of Hawkins County, Tennessee. He died November 7, 1836, leaving a widow, Milly; there are no further data in the claim relative to her, and no reference to children.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator

State of Tennessee
Henderson County 3 De it Shown that on the 28th day
of February 1834 personally appeared
before me Lewis Hicks a justice of the peace in and
for said county and state John Peaslee and
Mollie with in due form of law, that sometime in the
month of August 1832 he appeared in Person at
in said County State had his declaration for a prison
under the act of 7th Nov 1832, made out by Wm S. S.
Blair & Peter Parsons Esquires - Shown to me about
by which he claimed as he now claims a prison
for 18 months - That afterwards he was informed
by General Peter Parsons, that the Peaslee
certificate had issued but a mistake had
been made in his surname, by calling him
Peaslee or some such name instead of Peaslee,
and that said Parsons also informed him that
he had but back the certificate to have the
mistake corrected, and he thereupon both
been informed by the prison Agent William
S. Blair Esq of Nashville Tennessee
that his prison certificate had been issued
corrected ~~as above~~ - and he has also under
stood and believes that Genl. Parsons also
stated the same thing - but who is now
in the State of Alabama - This defendant
further deposes & swears that although said certifi-
cate hath issued to him by which he is entitled
to draw sixty dollars per year from the
1st of March 1831 - Yet he has never yet re-
ceived his said certificate, and he believes that

it has been lost, Miscovered or destroyed in
its transmission by the mail from the
war department and the defendant is now
suffering for the want of his prison money
which is now due to him at the order
of Armstrong transfer. as the agent
James L Blair has sent him word that
he will pay him the amount due to him
when he presents his certificate - He
therefore prays the commission of Prison
James L Edwards Esq. to issue him a
duplicate certificate in place of the
one he lost or destroyed - sworn to
and subscribed before me the day & year
above written and that he is the identical person
named in the said certificate - and as affirmed
Lewis C. Lick *LC* John H. Beasley
mch

State of Tennessee
Shelby county }
I, Lewis C. Lick, Magistrate of the County of Shelby
above named, do hereby certify that I have
the most satisfactory evidence from
my own personal knowledge that John
Deas, who this day appeared before me to
take the oath of identity is the identical Person
named in the said certificate and I am
satisfied that the statement

Made by him in relation to the person au-
thorized is true -

Given under my hand at my
House in Hawkins county the 28th day of Feb-
ruary 1834 -

Lewis Click *CL*
Hawkins County

State of Tennessee
Hawkins county

I Stockley Mitchell clerk
of the Court of Pleas & Sessions
Supreme for Hawkins county do certify that Lewis
Click whose name appears to the foregoing certificate
and affidavit is a Magistrate as above and
that the foregoing certificate purporting to be
his is genuine - In testimony whereof I have
hereunto affixed my Seal of
office and subscribed my
Name this 28th day of March
in the year 1834 -

Stockley Mitchell *CL*
Clerk of the Court

3646.

1939 Apr. 11 - Litch E. Mrs. Harry Baumgardner

INVALID.

File No. 3646

* John Pantley
Pvt. R. C. Linn

Act: June 7, 1932

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[Arrangement of 1870.]

* John Pantley. Records corrected
Apr. 6, 1932.

Greenville, Ill., Feb. 22, 1939.

Veterans Administration,
Washington, D.C.,

Will you please ^{only} furnish me the military record of Col. John Paisley and William Paisley both entered service in Guilford County North Carolina. William was in the battle of Guilford Court House. Possibly John participated in same battle.

This record is wanted for establishing D.A.R. records, and will be greatly appreciated by,

Sincerely,

Mrs. Harry Baumberger
316 N. Fourth St.
Greenville
Illinois.



19046
Dorchester Tennessee
John Watley

of Warrenton in the State of Tennessee
 who was a private in the company commanded
 by Captain Cannon of the Regiment commanded
 by Genl Little in the War
 time for 1 1/2 months and 3 days

John Watley Records, etc.

Enrolled on the Roll of Dorchester Co. Tenn.
 at the rate of 40 Dollars Cents per a
 commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 31 day of April
and Little

Watson Rogersville

Amount to the 1st of March 94.00
 Pension allowance ending April 23.50

*1233

\$117.50

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
 { Not June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by Sam. Hays Clerk,
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Certificate of Pension book
 for correction and now
 one issued to John Watley
 instead of John Watley and
 delivered to Hon. J. Black President

An additional Statement of John Pastley
Made before me John Shough

A Justice of peace for Hawkins County in the
State of Tennessee in Order to Obtain the
provisions of the Act of Congress passed the
7th day of June 1832. Said Pastley being duly
sworn according to law doth on his
oath make the following statement

He states that he was born in Philadelphia
County Pennsylvania on Schuylkill about
one mile from Indian Creek as he is
informed and believes and at about
the age of seven years he was moved
to Orange County North Carolina
by his ~~Uncle~~ ^{Mother} William Pastley the father
and of this Applicant having died in
Pennsylvania. And he lived in Carolina
till he entered the service in the War
of the Revolution and he has lived
in Burke and Wilks Counties in North
Carolina and in Hawkins County
since the Revolution to this time

He states that he served first three months
a Volunteer under Col John Pastley
then he volunteered for nine months
under Colonel Alexander and James
Martin and Marched to the North
and after three weeks was furloughed
and remained on furlough ~~three~~ ^{three}
Months and then entered the service

Again and served out the nine months
Then He substituted in the room of James
Lott and served three months under
Colo. Henry Dickson

He again substituted for John McDaniel
for six weeks under Colo James Martin
and served out the time.

Then he volunteered whilst the
British were in Guilford County
North Carolina under Captain
Arthur Harbison in General Greene's
Army and was then in the battle
of Guilford in which action his Captain
was wounded and died of his wound
~~and served~~ He served at that time
three weeks and which makes in
all seventeen months and one week
service exclusive of the time he was
on furlough Still his service he
was a private except during the nine
months service he acted as corporal
part of the time

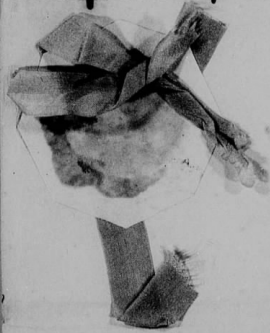
his
John F. Payley
Mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before
me this 27th day of May
1883

John Shreve
J. D.

July 4. 1800
Hankins County, I hereby D. Mitchell Clerk of
the Court of plea and quarter Supreme for said
County Do certify that John Thompson before whom
the foregoing supplemental declaration of John
Pactly was sworn to was at the time of so doing
an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County
of Hankins & that his signature appear to be in
his own proper hand writing

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal of Office at office the 27th day
of May 1800 - J. M. Mitchell Clerk
J. M. Mitchell Co. Clerk



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Mr. Evans

Hon^{ble} J. L. Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington City
D. Columbia

Hingham 15th November 1837

Enclosed I send again to the Department the pension
papers of John Pothier who's connected as directed by you
the papers heretofore made out by Willy Pothiers
(and also heretofore enclosed) were made out to
draw from the 4th day of March 1835, whereas
in fact the amount due was from the 4th of
September, 1835. This reference of 6 months back
was done in obedience to a request made
by Mr. Blain the pension agent at Lonslow
ough in order to cover the six months
from the 4th of March 1835 to the 4th of
Sept 1835 - which he says he had no credit
for, although he had paid the pensioning
on account of some defect in the
papers on which that draw was made.
The corrected papers are made out for the time
above for which the pension is due
to Willy Pothier, that is from the 4th of
September 1835 to the 7th of November 1836
the time of his death. This case has been
very troublesome & the widow is in great
need of the amount due her, I wish
you would therefore give Mr. Blain special
instructions to pay this claim on the corrected
papers. We would I suppose, refuse to pay
on the corrected papers, because they do not
cover the time above mentioned for which
he has no credit. I am respectfully yours

W. D. Winston

James L. Edwards Esq
Cession Commission
Washington City
D C

Wagonville 27th May
1832

Dr Sir

Herewith I return the
papers with an additional
statement in case of John
Partley the papers it seems
to me comply with the note
herewith returned and any
defect it would seem is now
obviated

I am Sir, your
Obedt servant

P. Parsons

To order

20 Nov 1887

Mr Winston

G. L.

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War Department
Pension Office
20th Nov 1837

Sir

The Persian Agent at Fresno
has this day been instructed to pay the amount
due John Postley dec^d, to Melly Postley
widow of said John. The vouchers
are herewith enclosed.

I am &c

W. A. Winston Esq
Rogersville
Tenn.

John Pastley (Jonestown, Tenn.)

Feb 7 June, 1832.

To whatt time last paid?

paid to the 4th Sep 1835

JH

Triplicate certificate issued 27th April
1884 and sent to Hon John Blair

Resolutionary war.

S. file 3646

Correct the
Receipt ^{any Receipts} to show
true name: John
Peasley.

Was pensioned as

John Peasley.

AWM

Apr. 4/04.

WIDOWS

Widow of

Co., Reg't,

Enlisted....., 18.....

Discharged....., 18.....

No prior or subservice.....

Origin and continuance.....

Died....., 18.....

Death first husband....., 18.....

Death first wife....., 18.....

Marriage....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

..... born....., 18.....

No divorce.....

Property and income.....

Assessments.....

Remarriage....., 18.....

Children living.....

Credibility.....

No prior claim....., 18.....

Received
17. March 1874
Present attention
of Mr. Allen
if we need it
to send to see
the
of Edwards Engine
Company of London
Buckingham St
W. C. Scott

Rogersville Tennessee

March 10th 1834

Jesse L Edwards Esq

Dear Sir /

Enclosure

I send you the affair of John
Pewley with regard to the loss of
his Patent certificate which issued from
your office under the act of Congress of
17 June 1832 He wishes you to issue a
duplicate and enclose the same to
be as early as possible -

I have the honor

to remain with Esteem

Your obt. servant

H. Alexander



FREE

Aug 28

Mr. El.

(in care of)

Mont.

J. P. Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington City
D. Columbia

Plainville 19th August 1837

John

Enclosed I send to the Department the papers
of John Rustby to be inspected, the result of which
I wish you to advise me as early as possible.
I am sir, respectfully,
your obt. Servant

W. D. Brewster

Noting

W Alexander

Pearcy pension

per Percy
certificate

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m

W. D. D. D.

Frederick
4 April

Rogersville
4 April

Free

The Sumner

Saml Blair

Quincy Mass

Washington estate

Dr. J. H. H.

Poughkeepsie

April 3^d 1834

Dear Sir

I have just recd your polite favor accompanying the paper & prompter in trans-
ference to I should have told you
when I wrote to you to subscribe for certain
papers that we had only five dollars on hand
but I have no doubt but that funds can
be raised to meet the \$12 - you were
a kind to advance - The Society will
be under great obligations to you for the
months you have been at in complying with
their request

Mr. Jay that Pearsley's certificate
was handed back to you by Mr. Russell, and after
correcting the name, you enclosed it at Paines
request to William Plain, on January last -
I was at Brookhollow about the middle of
last part of February, last - and asked your
brother William if he had the certificate as
Pearsley had requested me to get it for
him. Your brother informed me that
he had it not - and upon my return
Pearsley made the affidavit which I for-
warded to Mr. Edwards in relation to its
loss or non receipt - He sends the money
very much as he is now quite helpless
with as to pecuniary means and bodily strength
and Lewis Clarke Esq. of whose land he
has just informed me - that he

is absolutely dependent on him for support - and
wishes his wife to be with him as soon as
possible - The Blicher is now in Town attend-
ing our minute meeting - ~~He is~~

What he caused the Maryland Bank to
stop payment - The news reached the
place on Tuesday and caused considerable
consternation among the people attending
meeting, and all those having any cash on
hand looked it over to see if they had
not any union notes payable at that Bank

I am fearful we shall be hard times
as to paying notes. The confidence of the
people in Bank paper seems to be dis-
solving daily, and a fearful looking for distress
and Union - It is said that the Bank
at Warren, in which deposits have been made
by our Union Bank, is in rather a shocking
condition. And should the Union Bank
receive another blow - it will go down -
Five hundred thousand dollars it is said
was deposited in the Maryland Bank, which
it is supposed is lost -

Will you please get Mr Edwards
to send a duplicate to Pearl M. and send it to me
I am with much esteem

Yours friend

D. Alexander

Payments to be made
at *Lonsborough*
by *W^m H. Blair*
Agent for paying Pension-
ers, in the Agency of *Lons-*
borough Tempe

Hon. J. Blair
Pen

Recorded in the Pension Of-
fice, in Book *E Vol. 7*
Page *131* by *Sam. Boyd*
Clerk.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Revolutionary Claim.

I certify that, in conformity with the law of the United States of the 7th June, 1832,
Saml Butler of Tennessee
who was a private of Infantry in the Army of the Revolution, is entitled to receive — *Forty Seven* — dollars and — — — — — cents per annum, during his natural life, commencing on the 4th of March, 1831, and payable semi-annually on the 4th of March, and 4th of September, in every year.

Given at the War Office of the United States, this *Second* day of *Aug* — one thousand eight hundred and thirty — *Three*

John C. Smith
Secretary of War.

Examined and }
Countersigned. }

J. Edwards

Commissioner of Pensions.

John Putney

BRIEF objections to the admission of Pension Claims, of which those answered in the negative, in red ink, will apply to the claim of
John Parley Newtons Co. Transferred
further proof or explanation.

- I. Does the declaration show where the applicant resides? *yes*
- II. Did the declarant make the declaration in the county where he resides? *yes*
- III. If the applicant did not make the declaration in the county where he resides, is there any reason assigned for his not doing so?
- IV. Has the declarant mentioned the period or periods of the war when he served? *no*
- V. * Has he mentioned with precision the length of his service, and the different grades in which he served, in language so definite as to enable the department to determine to what amount of pension he is entitled? *no*
- VI. Has he given the names of the officers under whom he served, in conformity with the regulations? *yes*
- VII. Has he made a relinquishment of every claim to any other pension than the one under the Act of June 7, 1832? *yes*
- VIII. Has the Court given their opinion? *yes*
- IX. Has the Clerk given his certificate? *yes*
- X. Is the Clerk's seal affixed? And if so, has it a device or inscription by which it can be distinguished from any other seal? *yes*

XI. Has the applicant obtained the evidence of a clergyman and another respectable citizen as to their belief respecting his age and the general belief in his neighborhood relative to his revolutionary service? *no*

XII. If the clergyman's affidavit has not been produced, is there any reason assigned for not obtaining it? *yes*

XIII. If the applicant has no documentary evidence, and has not obtained the testimony of at least one living witness, has he stated in his declaration that such proof cannot be had? *yes*

XIV. † If the applicant's name is not found on the rolls of military service, has he produced a witness or witnesses as to his service?

If he has produced direct proof as to service, has the magistrate who administered the oath, certified to the credibility of the witness or witnesses? *yes*

Has the proper officer certified to the official character and signature of the magistrate as the regulations direct? *yes*

XV. Does it appear from any of the papers that the witness was in such a situation, or of such an age, as to have a personal knowledge of the applicant's service?

XVI. ‡ Are the papers authenticated as the regulations direct? *No*

XVII. Are the seven interrogatories prescribed by the War Department answered satisfactorily? And, if not, which of them is not so answered? *1, 2, 5*

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

* QUERE V. In a case where the applicant cannot, by reason of the loss of memory, state precisely how long he served, he should amend his declaration by making an affidavit in the following words:

"Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, &c. A. B. who, being duly sworn, depose and saith, that, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; For _____ year _____ months, and _____ days, I served as a _____ For _____ months and _____ days, I served as a _____; and for such service I claim a pension.

It is important in all cases to determine with precision the period for which each applicant served, and the particular rank he held, as the law directs the pension to be paid according to the grade of the pensioner and the length of his service. The use of the phrase *about three or four months* is too indefinite, and all such qualifying expressions are objectionable. Some persons who apply for pensions merely state they served two years in the militia, &c. without specifying the tours; the names of the officers, and other particulars respecting their service. This form of a declaration is highly objectionable. It must in every case be clearly shown under what officers the applicant served; the duration of each term of engagement; the particular place or places where the service was performed; that the applicant served with an embodied corps called into service by competent authority; that he was either in the field or in garrison; and for the time during which the service was performed, he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

†**QUERE XIV. *Proof of Service.***

In a case where the name of the applicant is not found on the records of the Department, he must prove his service by two credible witnesses, who are required to set forth in their affidavits the time of the claimants entering the service, and the time and manner of his leaving the same, as well as the regiment, company, and line to which he belonged. The magistrate who may administer the oaths must certify to the credibility of the witnesses, and the official character and signature of the magistrate must be certified by the proper officer, under his seal of office.

†**QUERE XVI. *Made of authenticating papers.***

In every instance where the certificate of the certifying officer who authenticates the papers is not written on the same sheet of paper which contains the affidavit, or other paper authenticated, the certificate must be attached thereto by a piece of tape or narrow ribbon, the ends of which must pass under the seal of office of the certifying officer, so as to prevent any paper from being improperly attached to the certificate.

☞ In every case where the clerk of the court, or other certifying officer, has no public seal of office, the certificate of a member of congress, proving the official character and signature of the certifying officer, should accompany the papers.

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