

2. Ryan, John  
Virginia

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John Ryan was born in 1759 in Hampshire County, Virginia. At the time of his first enlistment as a Revolutionary war soldier in 1779 he was living on Patterson's Creek, Hampshire County, Va. He first served as a private soldier in Captain Abraham Johnson's and Josiah Swearingen's Virginia companies. He at this time aided in the building of Fort Laurens and was discharged about 1 February 1780 having served six months and 15 days.

He reenlisted in May 1781 and served six months in Captain Daniel Richardson's Virginia Company; while in this company he was in

a skirmish with the Tories at Abraham Brakes on the south fork of the Potomac River. His military action which included mostly Indian fighting is given in detail in her pension application.

He first claimed pension on 22 October 1832 at which time he was living in Randolph County, Virginia, having moved there from Hampshire County.

In 1839 he still appears on the pension roll of Wheeling, Virginia at \$41.66 per annum. Numerous letters on file attempting to collect payment. File contains no statement of who, if any, were his descendants, or date of his death.