RESOURCE: OATH OF INDUCTION

This oath was to be taken by all officers and soldiers within two days of their enlistment in a Continental unit.

I, ____________________, do swear (or affirm), to be true to the Thirteen United States of America; to serve them honestly and faithfully against all their Enemies or Opposers whatsoever, and to observe and obey the Orders of Congress, and the Orders of the Generals and Officers set over me by them.

So help me God.

before me the __________ day of __________, 1776.