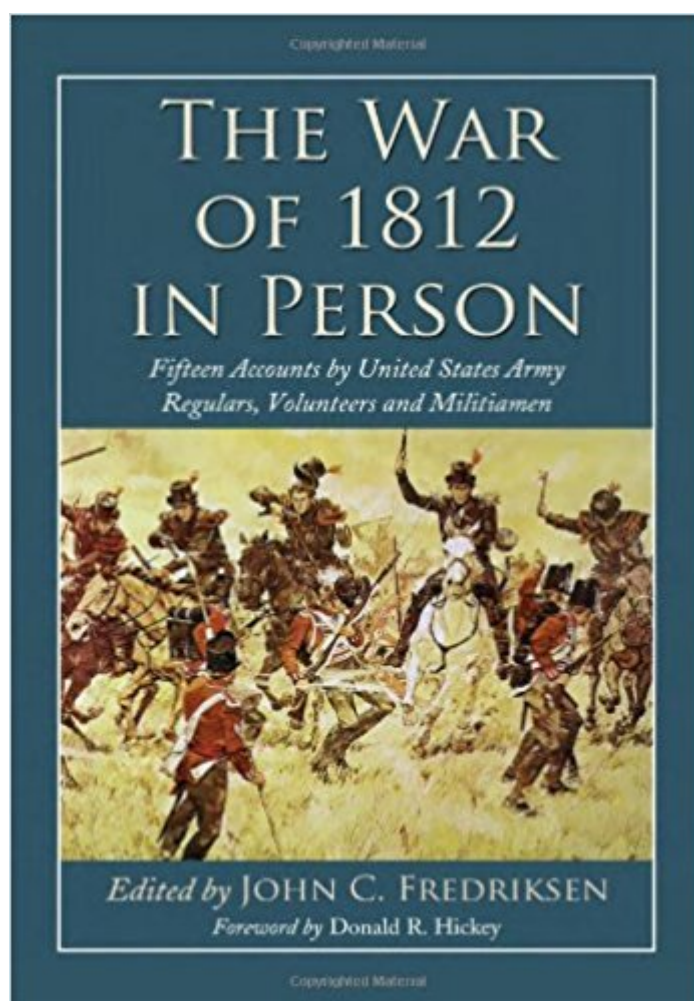


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John C. Fredriksen, is the author of more than 20 books about military history. He lives in Smithfield, Rhode Island.

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