

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Theodrick [Theodoric] Bland VAS1859 Martha Blodget¹ 2

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To the Hon. the Speaker & Members of the General Assembly the petition of Martha Blodget respectfully sheweth –

That as relict & widow of the late Col. Theodrick Bland she is possessed of certain Certificates for which amounts to two hundred ninety-six Bushels which were furnished by the said Bland for use of the public. That her said husband never received compensation for the same, to which she now thinks herself justly entitled. Your petitioner further sheweth that the reason of this late application arises solely from the long absence of her deceased husband in the Service of his Country – to which Service he at last fell a victim. – That during his life, leisure was not afforded him to have the said Certificates adjusted. – Your petitioner begs leave to show further, that the said Theod^r Bland gave his Bond to the Treasurer for the refund of the Sum of one hundred pounds, which by a Resolution of the General Assembly was advanced on the part of this State to each of its Members in the first Congress under the present Federal Government, – which Bond the Auditor of Public Accounts threatens to put in Suit. – As she conceives the Certificates for wheat will almost if not wholly discharge the said Bond, she humbly prays that the Auditor may be directed to credit the said Bond the amount of the said Certificates or that the Hon. house would take her case into Consideration & grant relief &c

[Reverse]

Blodget's Petn
29 October [17]93
Referred to Claims
Rejected
[illegible] 9th 1793

¹ former widow