

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Petition of Lancelot Stone VAS1861

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To the General Assembly of Virginia

The petition of Lancelot capstone

Humbly Sheweth

That your petitioner actuated [?] by the Laws of his country, enlisted into the service in the early part of the late war, for the term of two years, & took with him into the field a musket & three blankets, & found himself in clothing during his servitude – That at the end of two years he was duly discharged, but without ever receiving any compensation for the musket above mentioned, which was left with the Army, nor for the blankets & clothing with which he had furnished himself –

That although he received his pay, yet from its depreciation, it soon became of very little value, a loss for which he has never been reimbursed; nor indeed until very lately, did your Petitioner understand that any compensation could be obtained for it – More anxious to serve his country than himself, he never made a pecuniary satisfaction the object of his solicitude; nor should he now have asked for retribution, did not the justice due you himself and the flourishing state of his country authorize his present application.

Your petitioner therefore prays that compensation may be made him for the depreciation of his pay, for his musket, his blankets & clothing, as the General Assembly may seem just & fit. And your petitioner in duty bound etc.

I certify that Lancelot Stone enlisted as a Sergeant in a company in the Sixth Virginia Regiment to which I was Lieut. in March 1776 & continued to serve as such 'til March 1778 when his term of enlistment expired & was regularly discharged.

Given under my Hand this 12th of October 1795

S/ Wm Stark, Jr.

This Claim has not been paid
by the State of Virginia

S/ J Pendleton

Auditors Office 14 November '95

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J. D. P. L. P. L.
A. S. off. 14. Nov. 95.

Stone's petition
November 14, 1785
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