Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Joseph Bowen (Bowren) VAS2575 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from <u>rejected claims in the Library of Virginia</u> in two separate files assumed to pertain to the same Joseph Bowen.]

Memorial of James Bowen or Bowren

To His Excellency Gov'r Tazewell

Yr Petitioner James Bowen of Culpeper County represents: That he is one of the sons & heirs at law of Joseph Bowen deceased. That the name was sometimes called Bowren & at other times Bowen. That his father was a soldier in the war of the Revolution & enlisted and served, as has been proved by testimony already in your possession, he has always heard & believed. That he knows nothing of the service himself, but from what he has always heard & which he does honestly believe, he considers his fathers heirs as entitled to bounty lands for military service in the revolutionary war and he respectfully asks that it be allowed [several undeciphered words] receive, of which he is himself one. That he requests an early decision [signed] James Bowen

At a Court continued and held for Culpeper County on this 18th day of October 1831

Ordered that it be certified that it was proven to the satisfaction of the Court by the Witnesses in whom the Court reposes full confidence, that Joseph Bowren, usually called Bowen, was a private in the 10^{th} Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment commanded by Colo. Edward Stevens [VAS1922], that the said Bowen enlisted for three years and served the full period of the enlistment. And it is further Ordered to be certified that John, Joseph and James Bowen or Bowren are the Heirs at law of the aforesaid Joseph Bowen or Bowren who departed this life about forty[?] years past. It is further Certified that [undeciphered word] of these Witnesses, who is [undeciphered word] & credible was in service with said Joseph Bowen.

Culpeper County To Wit

Personally appeared before us A. P. Hill and William Foushe justices of the peace for the County aforesaid William Foster [W4674] of the County of Culpeper and made oath that he knew Joseph Bowen of the said County; that the said Bowen enlisted in the company commanded by Captain John Gillison [W7530] (the name of the 1st Lieutenant was [James] Williams); That the said company was attached to the 10th Virginia regiment commanded by Edward Stevens; that the said Bowen to the best of his knowledge and belief enlisted for three years; served out his time, and was regularly discharged Given under our hands and seals this 10th day of November 1832

Culpeper Aug't. 23rd 1835. Mr Bowen called on me to write the above for him in the absence of Major E. Broadus who is his agent in the matter to which his [two undeciphered words] refers. He has subscribed the paper in my presence.

J. S. Barbour

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