

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Howel R5297

Mary

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State of North Carolina Cleveland County: On this 12th day of February 1846 Personally appeared before me the Subscribing magistrate Mary Howel a resident of Said State & County aged eighty-seven who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act Granting half pay & pensions to certain widows also the act 3rd of March 1843 & 17th of June 1844.

That she is the widow of John Howel who was a private Soldier in the War of the Revolution and served the United States against the common enemy. That she cannot tell the precise time when he entered the Service but thinks it was in the year 1778 or nine & served in the militia from that time as she understands till the end of said war. That the whole length of his service must have been at least four years.

She further declares that she was married to the aforesaid John Howel sometime in the year 1783 & that her husband the aforesaid John Howel died on the 27th day of Me 1828. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but that the marriage took place prior to the first day of January 1794 to wit at the time above stated. She further declares that she was married in Granville County North Carolina by one Mr. McAlamor [?] Esqr. she further declares that she has no record of her marriage any record that gives the dates of the births of her children. That she has had a record that gave the dates of the birth of her children but the same has been misplaced or lost so as it cannot be found.

She further declares that she has remained a widow ever since the death of her husband the aforesaid John Howel.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this day & date first above written.

S/ Joseph Carroll, JP

S/ Mary Howel, X her mark

[fn p. 4: On February 13, 1846 in Cleveland County North Carolina, John Tucker gave a supporting affidavit in which he states that he was well acquainted with John Howel; that John Howel was recognized in the neighborhood as a soldier of the revolution; that he, affiant, was married in February 1797 at which time John and Mary Howel were living together as man and wife and had 4 children to wit Thomas, John, Joshua & Elizabeth.]

[fn p. 14: Certificate dated March 19 , 1846, from the North Carolina Comptroller showing that the sum of 171 pounds 9 shillings and 4 pence was paid to a John Howell for military service during the revolution.]