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Pension Application of Charles Bowling S16041

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The State of Ohio Fairfield County Ss.

March term of the Court of Common Pleas 1833

On this 11th day of March 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of said Court of Common Pleas now sitting Charles Bowling a resident of Amanda in said County aged about sixty nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated

He was born in Westmoreland County in Virginia, what is now called King George County, on the 13 April 1763 and resided there untill the revolutionary war. On the 2^d July 1781 he entered the service as a substitute for Samuel Thornbury, who had been drafted in the Militia for a Tour of two months in Fauquier County. This applicant substituted himself for said Thornbury at Bowling Green where he was placed in a company commanded by Capt. Thomas Brenan & Joshua Tellis Lieutenant & in a regiment commanded by Col. Armistead Churchill. He was marched to Williamsburg, where he staid untill they were driven to Richmond by Gen'l. [Benedict] Arnold. At these places he served out the tour of two months & was discharged. He rec'd. no written discharge.

In the month of May of the same year he was drafted in Stafford County, as aforesaid, for a tour of two months, and was place in a company commanded by Capt. Nathan Pilcher, in a Regiment commanded by Col. Garret. They served at Rappahanock [sic: Rappahannock] Forge, and at Fredericksburg. Cornwallis then lay in the edge of Louisa or Hanover Counties, but a few miles distant. In this way he served out his tour of two months, and was discharged verbally – not in writing.

In September of the same year, he was again drafted in said County of Stafford, for a two months tour of duty, and was placed in a company commanded by Capt Mountjoy, & was marched to Little York where Corwallis then lay, and was then at the siege [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] where he performed his tour of duty. At Yorktown, that fall, he enlisted in the Continental army under Capt. John Montjoy [sic: John Mountjoy], a recruiting Capt. for three years or during the war, and was marched to the Bowling Green, in a company commanded by said John Montjoy Capt. Edmond Montjoy, Leut't. [sic: Edmond Mountjoy] Thomas Peyton Ensign, and were then placed in a Regiment commanded by Col. Mackey, where he remained in the service for 21 days and was then dismissed, but told to hold themselves in readiness at a moments call, and was, in the fall after Cornwallis defeat (1782) again called into the service at Bowling Green, under the same officers, where they continued in service about thirty days, believes it to be that time, when they were again dismissed, but to be held in readiness at a moments warning. He served in this way three tours of duty, and fifty one days in the regular Army.

He states he con't. to reside in Stafford County untill he came to this state, except about three years of the time that he resided in orange County. He came to this county about three years ago & settled in Amanda township and where he has resided ever since He has now no record of his age, which was destroyed some years ago by fire. He never had a written discharge of any kind for his services and has no written or documentary proof of the same, & no witnesses in the services save his brother [William Bowling, pension application S16040]. He has already stated the periods of his services, and the officers under whom he served with as much precision as he can He is acquainted with the Rev'd. Mr Myers and Michael Blue who can testify as to his character for veracity & credibility, and the belief as to his revolutionary services – all the interrogatories being answered in his general declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. [signed] Charles Bowling