

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Stewart S33736

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New Jersey Sussex County: Personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of common pleas of said County Charles Stewart an ancient old Soldier, who being duly sworn according to law, on his oath deposeth and saith that sometime in the year of our Lord 1775, he enlisted into the Continental Army as a Soldier under Captain Bull [could be "Ball"]¹ of the 15th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Hennas [sic, James Innis?] of General Woodford's Brigade – that some considerable time after – he was arranged among those by Baron Steuben at the northward & put into the 11th Regiment under Colonel Morgan, and some time afterwards he was put into the 2nd Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Febacar [Christian Febiger] – his enlistment was for three years or during the War and was discharged honorably on the 22nd of April in the year 1780 signed by Major Thomas Posey which discharge he has long since delivered to one Benjamin Freeman together with his recommendation from Major Posey for the purpose of getting my bounty Land.

This deponent further saith that he is in the sixty seventh year of his age and is very feeble and infirm and totally incapable of obtaining a comfortable living, that he has an elderly wife to support and has had thirteen children – eight of whom are living, the bringing up of which with many other expenses has always kept him poor and at present under his infirmities, he is really needy & has a just claim on the benevolence of his Country – and further saith not.

S/ Charles Stewart, X his mark

Sworn & subscribed before me at Newton County & state aforesaid on 21st of March 1818

S/ Jno Johnson

To the Honorable the Secretary of War

You will see by the annexed affidavit that I have served nearly 7 years under various regulations as a soldier during the Revolutionary war. I was honorably discharged and I am now poor & needy & too infirm turn my living – under the act of Congress passed March 1818. I pray that I may be put on the pension list – and that I may be informed of the same on the terms of your regulations – as I live in New Jersey. I expect to be enrolled in such way as to receive the same in Jersey.

I am respectfully &

November 21 March 1818

S/ Charles Stewart, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 21st, 1818, for service as

a private in the Virginia Continental line.]