

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Stephen Lewis Bowen: S34661

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State of Maryland Cecil County Sct.

On this 12th day of September in the Year Eighteen hundred and eighteen, personally appeared before the Subscriber Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Maryland, Stephen Lewis Bowen, and being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose, that he Enlisted in the Month of January Seventeen hundred and seventy nine in Capt. John Hardmans Company of Infantry, belonging to the Second Regiment of the Maryland line. That this Deponent served until the termination of the Revolutionary War, and was discharged at Charleston in South Carolina. And the said Stephen Lewis Bowen further deposed that from his reduced and indigent Circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support.

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On this Eleventh day of September 1820. Personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the second Judicial district of the State of Maryland Proceeding according to the course of the common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in amount and keeping a Record of its proceedings Stephen Lewis Bowen aged fifty nine years resident in Cecil County in said district, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in the winter of 1779 in Cecil County in the said State in the Company commanded by Captain John Hardman, attached to the Second Regiment commanded by Colonel [John] Gunby, that he was afterwards attached to Williams [probably Col. Otho Holland Williams], Howards [John Eager Howard's] Regiment that he served until the termination of the war when he was discharged at Charleston in South Carolina by Gen. [Nathanael] Greene which discharge he hath since lost; That he was engaged in the Battles of Camden [either Battle of Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780 or Battle of Hobkirk Hill on 25 Apr 1781] and the Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781]; That he made a declaration agreeably to the Act of 18th March 1818 and obtained a pension under said Act his Certificate being numbered 3.939. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or Debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

One old walnut chest, one old poplar cupboard, one Loom and Tackling, four old chairs, one walnut Table, 2 small Hogs, dozen fowls, one tea kettle, two Iron pots - not exceeding in value twenty Dollars. That he has debts owing to him to about the amount of ten Dollars; and owes debts to about the amount of forty Dollars. - That he is by trade a Weaver, which he works at when he is able. That he has a wife aged forty six years, and four children who live with him, the eldest named Nancy aged twenty three years, the next named Joseph aged fourteen years, the next John aged nine years, and the youngest Susan aged five years, all depending on him for their support.

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