Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Leonard Bean S35189

MD Sea Service

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Commonwealth of Kentucky

First Judicial District Sct.

Leonard Bean, a resident Citizen of the County of Mason, in the District and Commonwealth aforesaid, This day made the following declaration before me Adam Beatty, Circuit Judge of the Judicial district and Commonwealth aforesaid (to Wit:) That he said Leonard Bean enlisted as a soldier in the Military service of the United States, in the State of Maryland, in the year 1778, in Captain Horatio Clagett's company, in the third Maryland Regiment, for three years. That some time after he entered the service as af'd. he was transferred to the company of Captain John Smith, in the same Regiment (which was on continental establishment, and commanded by Colo. John Gunby & having served as a soldier three years, the term for which he enlisted, was duly and regularly discharged, as will appear from the enclosed writing signed by the said Captain Smith and by the said Colo. Gunby – The discharge of Colo. Gunby being dated the 12th day of April in the year 1781. He further declares that he never had a pension heretofore allowed him by the laws of the United States, and that by reason of his reduced circumstances in life he needs assistance from his Country for support. and I the said Adam Beatty, Circuit Judge as af'd. do further certify, that the said Leonard Bean did, before me in due and legal form make oath to the truth of the facts stated in the foregoing declaration. In Witness whereof I the said Adam Beatty have hereunto set my hand and seal the 5 day of May 1818

Leonrad Bean Soldier in the late 3rd Maryland Regiment having Served Three years, being the Term for which he engaged with the State of Maryland to Serve in the Continental Army, is hereby discharged the Service of the United States of America.

Given under my hand at Camp Kimboroughs North Carolina, 1781

John Smith, Captain Late 3rd M Regiment

Leonare Bean Soldier in the late 3rd Maryland Regiment having served the time for which he was enlisted as a good Soldier is hereby discharged the service —

Given under my hand at Camp on the Yadkin

N. Carolina this 12th day of April 1781 [signture(?) illegible]

[Other side]

The within mentioned Leonard Bean is Intitle to draw his rations from this to Charls County in Maryland Issuing Commissarys are requested [several illegible words] Provisions him on this Order allowing

twenty days to his Jorney from the date [one or more illegible words]

12th April J. Gunby

Five [illegible word] paid [several illegible words]

1781 May 18 Depreciation paid 35.12.0.

Randolph B. Lalmick[?] Dep'y Auditor/ 3125 March 1787

David Beard, personally appeared before the undersigned, on the 12th of May 1818, and being first duly sworn deposes and says he has been intimately acquainted with the above named Leonard Bean for four years, and knows he is in reduced circumstances. He did own a small piece of land, but has lately lost nearly the whole of it by an advance claim, having saved only about 30 acres, which is worth about three

dollars per acre. He owns no slaves, and is dependent upon his own exertions, and that of his children for a support, all of whom, the deponent believes are of full age, except one boy and a girl. His wife is also very sickly, and helpless. In testimony whereof I have affixed my hand as circuit Judge of the first Judicial District the date above.

Commonwealth of Kentucky,

Mason Circuit Sct.

On this 23rd day of November in the year 1820, personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record for the Circuit aforesaid) Leonard Bean, now a pensioner of the United States, aged Sixty-two years resident in the County of Mason in the Circuit aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth upon his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war, as follows. In the year 1777, (the particular month of which year, he does not recollect) he volunteered his services to the United States under Capt Joseph Harrison of the State of Maryland for the term of two months, during which term he was engaged in but one skirmish against the common enemy; at the expiration of that term, he Inlisted for the term of three years under Capt. Horatio Clickkett of the Maryland line attached to the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colo [blank], in which he served as a private soldier until Gen'l. Anthony Wayne made a requisition of troops to attack Stony Point, into which service he went (though a regular) rather as a volunteer and after having stormed that fort [16 Jul 1779], he with the balance of the troops engaged in that particular service, were quartered near Morristown, whence on or about the 28th day of May following he was ordered to the Southern States under the command of Gen'l. [Horatio] Gates, with whom he remained until the General's defeat at Camden [Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780]. He was then placed under the command of Gen'l. Daniel Morgan (however acting as a forage master previous to Gen'l. Gates' defeat, and until he was transferred to the command of Gen'l. Morgan under whom he was engaged in the battle at the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781], and in several long expeditions. The troops then joined that part of the main army under Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene], under whom he served in the battle of Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781]. Shortly after which he obtained a discharge, his term of service having then expired. A short time after the siege of York, or the capture of Lord Cornwallis [19] Oct 1781], he inlisted in the naval service, for a term during the war under Capt [first name blank] Collins and went on board a vessel called the Land Bridge which having grounded, he was transferred to another vessel, on board of which he served until he was captured and made prisoner and sent to the Island of Bermuda, and afterwards exchanged for and sent to Philadelphia in 1783. That he is now a pensioner of the United States (the date of the original declaration to obtain which he does not now recollect) the number of his pension certificate is 4912. And he doth solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities, contracts or debts owing to him, or any income other than what are contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed, to wit:

One old mare worth	\$19.00
her colt	6.00
One old blind horse	10.00
Two cows and their calves	20.00
Seven yearlings (of the cow kind	28.10
16 Hogs	20.00
40 shoats and pigs	25.00
16 sheep	16.00
1 Cupboard	9.00
Cupboard furniture	3.00

1 old tea kettle (Iron) Broken	1.00
1 table and two chests	6.00
3 Water Buckets	0.50
2 Tubs and 1 old barrel	$2.37\frac{1}{2}$
7 Chairs and 1 Candle stand	5.50
2 Flax wheels	2.75
1 — D'o. for wool (old)	1.75
3 old kegs[?], two axes	3.50
3 D'o. ploughs	8.00
3 pair plough chains broken	5.50
1 Kettle, 1 oven and 1 pot	6.—
1 Mattock & 1 log chain	4.00
4 old hoes and 2 iron wedges	3.50
The iron of an old horse cart &c	7.00
1 Grind Stone	1.00
2 Saws (Crosscut & hand saw)	10.00
1 old gun, 2 chissels & 2 augers	8.00
1 spade 1 old horse collar	1.50
1 set Harrow teeth (Iron)	4.00
1 Frying pan and 1 skillet	1.00
2 Flax Hatchels	2.50
1 old smoothing iron	75
1 Fire shovel	75
Debt due him from Thomas Conna	ant
upon Execution of	23.00
	\$269.871/2
He owes James Conner upon a Juc	dgment of record 111.70
Do Do upon Execution80.00 To J	James Gorsuch upon Bond 115.00
To Wm B. Phillips upon afs'd	73.00
To Peter Crutcher upon Bond	72.00
To Levi Higden upon Do	15.00
	\$466.70
	\$ 100.70

Leonard Bean

His occupation is that of a farmer and from bodily infirmity not very able to pursue it. his family consists of himself, his wife aged about sixty years and four children to wit John Albert Bean, aged twenty eight years occasionally at home, or at the house of the declarant, and assisting him about his Husbandry Leonard Harrison Bean, aged 23 years, Matilda Bean aged 18 years, Frances Bean aged 16 years, and William Gallenour Bean aged 13 years.

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document states the administrator of the estate of Leonard Bean received his final pension payment up to the date of his death, 29 May 1851.