

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joshua Bird S36416

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5<sup>th</sup> Judicial DISTRICT OF Kentucky SS.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 1819 before me, the subscriber, Judge of said district & of the Nelson circuit personally appeared Joshua Bird aged 75 years, resident in Nelson County in the said district, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:" That he, the said Bird enlisted for the term of the war on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1776 in King George County in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Rich'd Barnet [probably Richard Bernard] of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Josias Parker [sic: Josiah Parker] in the line of the state of Virginia on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until the close of the war, when he was discharged from service in Williamsburg state of Virginia that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Trenton [26 Dec 1776], Princeton [3 Jan 1777], Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], & the Siege of Charles Town [Charleston SC, spring 1780] & York [Yorktown VA, 28 Sep – 19 Oct 1781] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

State of Kentucky

Circuit of Nelson SS.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the said Circuit of Nelson County Joshua Bird aged [blank] years resident in Nelson County in said Circuit 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 under Captain Barrett of the 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment Virginia and afterwards under Captain Fontroy [sic: Henry Fauntleroy] in the same Regiment that Josiah Parker was the Col. when he first entered the service that the original declaration will appear at the war office that the dates of the pension as granted him is 25 day of April 1820 No 16767 – And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of 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 person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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

One horse worth \$12

One hog " \$3 and nothing else

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