

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Philip Barr S37725

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Virginia Sc

On this 25th day of May 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the general Court of Virginia, personally appears Phillip Barr aged 68 years resident in County of Shenandoah who being by us first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions 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 the said Phillip Barr enlisted in March 1776 in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by captain Thos. Berry 8th Virg'a Reg't Colo Mulenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] of the said state that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States untill the [blank] day of February 1778 when he was discharged from service at the Valley Forge state of Pennsylvania that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777], Sullivans Island [28-29 Jun 1776] & various skirmishes, and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the affidavit now enclosed.

I do hereby certify that Philip Barr some time in the month of March 1776 enlisted as a soldier in my company belonging to the 8th Va. Regiment raised agreeably to a resolve of the convention of Virginia and commanded by Col'nl Peter Mughlenburg after whose promotion said company [regiment] was commanded by Col. Abraham Bowman and formed part of Gen. Charles Scott's Brigade serving untill February 1778 during which time said Philip Barr acted with all the faithfullness of a dutiful soldier, and obtained at Valley Forge in the State of Pensylvania an honourable discharge from Brigadier General C. Scott. [signed] Thos Berry
April 16th 1818 Capt in the 8th Va. Regiment

[Also certified by John Bly, pension application S37780.]

Virginia Shenandoah County Sct

On this 13 day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County aforesaid Philip Barr aged 70 years resident in the County aforesaid 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 spring of the year 1776 in Capt. Thomas Berry's company in the 8th Virg'a. reg't commanded by Col. Muhlenberg and that he was discharged at the valley forge in '78, that the original declaration was made on the 25th day of May 1818 and that the certificate of pension in his possession is numbered 12.555 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 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 (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed vizt. one cow not yet paid for, five sheep and two lambs, two shoats, one chest, one doz cups and saucers two iron pots one kettle, one dutch oven, 1 skillet, 1 gallon measure 1 coffee pot, tea pot, ½ doz tin cups, ½ doz spoons, ½ doz tea spoons, ½ doz knives & forks, two tin ladles, 1 iron ladle, 1 pepper box, 1 lamp and one lanthorn I have no debts due to me but am considerably involved. [signed] Philip Barr
I am a shoemaker but owing to the Rheumatic pains I am unable to work but little at times unable to do any thing I have a daughter Elizabeth aged 27 years who is sickly and a son named Stephen aged 17 years.