

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Nowel (Nowell) S38971

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Anson County, North Carolina: Court of Pleas & Quarter Session July Sessions 1820

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1820, personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of Record for said County proceeding according to the course of the common law, with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a Record of its proceedings, possessing a seal and having the power of fine & imprisonment) Josiah Nowel between 55 and 56 years of age, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818, and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820, that he the said Josiah Nowel was received into the Continental Service at Henderson in the County of Bertie in the State of North Carolina on or about the first day of January 1781, that the Party dispersed, that he returned home & did not [indecipherable word] until on or about the first day of January following (to wit, on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1782) when he was received by Colonel Murfree [Hardy Murfree] in Murfreesboro in the said State of North Carolina, that he marched, agreeably to the orders of the said Colonel Murfree, as one of a Guard of some wagons loaded with rum, Salt & other necessary articles for the troops of the said Colonel Murfree's command, then in South Carolina, that he, in company with the said wagons, joined the said troops near Ashley River in the State of South Carolina where he was attached to the Company commanded by Captain Carter [Benjamin Carter], in the Regiment, commanded by Colonel Murfree in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in said Company until the said Captain Carter left the Regiment, when he was transferred to the Company commanded by Captain Hall [Clement Hall]; that he continued to serve in the said Captain Hall's Company until the sixth or about the sixth day of January 1783, when he was discharged from the said service in Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina.

That he was not in any battles, and that he has no other evidence now in his power, of his said services, except the evidence of the Rolls now in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, a certificate of which, under the hand of the said Secretary, was, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May last, the day on which his original declaration<sup>1</sup> was made, laid before the Honorable Judge of the US District Courts of North Carolina, and left in his hands, and the evidence of David Nowel,<sup>2</sup> whose Affidavit was, a few days subsequent to the said 12<sup>th</sup> May forwarded on to the said Judge. And the said Josiah Nowell doth further solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or other wise disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent

<sup>1</sup> This application is not among the documents in this file

<sup>2</sup> Likewise, this evidence is not among the documents in this file.

thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provision 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that h has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed.

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court the 11 day of July 1820 before.

S/ Tod Robinson, Clk

S/ Josiah Nowel

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Schedule of Josiah Nowel's Property

1 Small Bay Mare six years old, one bridle	½ doz. Case knives & forks
1 Sow, 10 Shoats 10 or 11 months old, 1 small pig	1 shovel plow hor 1 scooter plow hoe 1 cutter hoe plow
A Loom and its necessary gear	2 weeding hoes 1 grubbing hoe
1 Flax wheel, 1 cotton wheel, 2 pair of cards	2 Axes, 1 Stool adds 1 coopers adds
1 Chest, 1 old Pine Table ½ doz. Chairs	1 Hammer 1 Drawing Kinfe
2 Iron Pots 1 Oven 1 Frying pan	4 chizzles 2 gouges 3 augers
1 coffee mill, 1 coffee pot, ½ doz tea cups & saucers	3 gemblets 1 hand saw
1 Pitcher 1 Bowl 5 Earthen Plates	2 Pails, 1 Tub, 1 Piggin, 1 Can
1 Pewter Dish, 3 pewter plates 2 pewter Basons	\$11.00 in cash now in hand
½ doz Pewter table spoons	\$2.95 in cash & 3 ½ bushels of Corn [?]
2 Potter's Jars 1 three gal. Jug with broken mouth 2 Jugs of ½ gal. Each	30 lbs of Bacon, 1 Sifter, 2 Small earthen mugs
2 black bottles 2 pairs of Pot Hooks	1 Pint tin cup, 1 Razor & shaving Box
2 Flat Irons	1 Pocket Knife, 1 pair scissors,
	40 lbs of Manufactured tobacco 29
	A few chickens 1 Bushel of Onions, 7.5 Cents in cash in addition to the sum mentioned above.

This Schedule contains a true account of all my property of every description, together with a like account of all debts owing to me.

I hereby declare that I am a Farmer by profession but from long continued ill health and debility I am poorly qualified to pursue that business. I have two in family – my wife Tamy between 46 & 47 years of age is in a precarious state of health but can spin & weave; and my grandson Martin between 10 & 11 years of age who is capable of rendering about as much service as boys usually are at his age.

S/ Josiah Nowel

The foregoing is Valued to \$121.50 by the Justices of our Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions.  
Test: S/ Tod Robinson, JP

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State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 6<sup>th</sup> of September 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the line of this State and the Revolutionary war that Josiah Nowell a private in Captain Carter's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment [sic, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment]<sup>3</sup> was mustered in 1781 for 12 months and that his time was out on the first day of January 1783 –

Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill

[In February 1836 Josiah Nowel applied for a transfer of his pension payments to Hardeman County Tennessee “for the satisfaction of his family, with whom he resides at this time.”]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 12, 1824 service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]

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<sup>3</sup> J. D. Lewis advises that the designation of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment as the regiment in which a veteran served was often the NC Secretary of State's 'default' designation when he could not find muster rolls giving the actual regiment in which the veteran served. J. D. indicates in his online posting that this veteran served in the 2<sup>nd</sup> NC Regiment. See, [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc\\_patriot\\_military\\_privates\\_n.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc_patriot_military_privates_n.html) and search for "Nowell, Josiah."