

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Bourn S39200

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State of Virginia, to wit

At a monthly court held for the County of Orange at the Courthouse, on Monday the twenty seventh of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

John Bourn, aged about sixty six years and a resident of this County, appeared in court this twenty seventh day of April 1818, and being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the pension 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 John Bourn inlisted in the spring of the year 1776 in the second Virginia Continental regiment, in the company commanded by Capt. Francis Taylor of the said State, that he served nearly two years, re-enlisted for three years in the said regiment and served therein until August 1781 when he was discharged from service in this County, that he was in the battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and at the Seige of Charlestown [Charleston SC, 29 Mar - 12 May 1780]; and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support. And Francis Cowherd [pension application W6721] of this County who at the times stated above, was a commissioned officer in said regiment, being also sworn declared, that the said John Bourn inlisted in the regiment aforesaid in the Spring of the year 1776 and served therein for nearly or quite two years, when he was reinlisted in the said regiment, and was captured at Charlestown, that he has the receipt for the bounty paid to the said Bourn, at this time.

State of Virginia, SS.

At a monthly court held for the county of Orange at the courthouse on Monday the twenty sixth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the aforesaid County of Orange, John Brown, aged 67 years resident in Orange county aforesaid and state of Virginia 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 1776 in the second Virginia continental regiment in the Company commanded by Captain Francis Taylor of the said Regiment where he continued to serve nearly two years when he again re-enlisted in said regiment for three years and served therein until August 1781, when he was discharged from the said service in aforesaid county of Orange. That he was in the battle of Monmouth and the seige of Charlestown, as appears by the declaration of the said Bourn made in the county court of Orange on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818. The number of the pension certificate is 5177. 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.

Schedule of the property/ No property either real or personal      Signed "John Bourn"

I do certify that I am by trade a farmer so long as I was able to follow it which has not been for several years. I have no house no family or home I live amongst my acquaintances and upon their charity