

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Banks (Barruck) Webb S40654

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The State of Ohio Clark County SS

Be it Remembered that before me Joseph Layton one of the associate Judges of the Court of Common pleas of the County aforesaid, personally appeared Bancks Webb a resident of the County aforesaid who being duly sworn deposed and saith that in the month of June or July seventeen hundred and eighty he was enlisted as a regular soldier by Col. Joshua Bell a Militia Colonel in the State of Maryland to serve during the War (being the revolutionary war) between Great Britain & the United States in the Continental Establishment & by him sent to Annapolis in the State of Maryland and joined to the first company in the State Regiment of the State of Maryland Commanded by Captain Goulder their stationed and on duty at Annapolis. That in the Spring of the year seventeen hundred and eighty one he the said Bancks Webb was taken from the command of the said Captain Goulder by Captain Christopher Richmond then aid to Major Gen'l. Gates & marched to the place of Gen'l Gates's residence in Virginia [Traveler's Rest in Berkeley County now WV] while Gen Gates was under arrest by order of the commander in chief (Gen Washington [sic: see note below] where he this deponent staid until the Spring of seventeen hundred & eighty two when Gen'l. Gates again resumed his command when this deponent was marched under the command of said Richmond to head quarters at Planks Point in the State of New York & took up Winter quarters at Newborough [probably Newburgh] on the North River & staid there until May 1783. That during the time he was under the command of Captain Richmond he served as express carrier on the lines within the command of Gen'l. Gates by the orders & Directions of Captain Richmond. That in the Month of May 1783 he this Deponent was transferred from the command of the said Captain Richmond to the Company of Captain Muse belonging to a Detachment of Maryland Troops then in the State of New York under the command of Major Thomas Landzell & marched from thence to Baltimore in the State of Maryland and there Discharged regularly on the [blank] day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty three Peace having been concluded & the revolutionary war ended. That he is desirous of obtaining a pension under the Act of congress passed the 18th March 1818 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 sold his discharge to pay his expences when he laying sick for the sum of fifteen dollars and is thereby unable to produce his discharge. And that from his reduced circumstances he needs assistance from his country for support and that he has never received a pension heretofore

And further this deponent saith not

Sworn & subscribed before me the 25th day of May 1818

Bancks hisXmark Webb

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On this 14th day of August eighteen hundred & twenty, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Clark aforesaid being a Court of record proceeding according to the Course of the Common law having a jurisdiction unlimited in amount & keeping a record of its proceedings Barruch Webb aged sixty years resident in said County of Clark 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 either in June or July of the year seventeen hundred and eighty for and during the war that he was enlisted in Captain Goolder's company of the second Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Jack Stewart that he continued in service till June in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty three at which he declares he was honourably discharged at the city of Baltimore & state of Maryland aforesaid and that the date of his original declaration was on the twenty fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that the number of his pension certificate is fifteen thousand five hundred and twenty.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the united States on the eighteenth day of March Eighteen hundred and eighteen, & 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 eighteenth day of March eighteen hundred and eighteen, 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 & by me subscribed.

Schedule of personal property belonging to Barruch Webb that is to say, two horses one cow and calf one sow and five pigs, one baking oven one tea kettle six pewter plates six knives and forks four chairs one chair[?] one spinning wheel two wooden boxes two brown earthen dishes six tea cups & saucers three tea spoons one plough one hoe one axe one tea pot

And I do further swear as aforesaid that I bona fide owe debts to the amount of two hundred dollars & that my property is now under execution in favour of creditors whom I justly owe to the amount of their respective demands and that he is unable to support himself by his own labour in consequence of old age and more particularly by reason of the dislocation of my shoulder and rist & a injury received in an other part of his body that he has a wife Mary aged forty five years next February whose ability to support herself is only impaired by her age that he has six children living with him the oldest of whom named Harriet is aged twelve years the next named Noah aged 9 years, the next Asaph aged 7 years, the next Maria aged six years, the next Thomas four the next and last Manassah three years old who is deaf and dum neither of them is of ability sufficient to support himself or herself, sworn to and declared on the 14th day of August 1820
Barruch hisXmark Webb

NOTE: Maj. Gen. Horatio Gates was never arrested. Following his defeat at Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780 he yielded command of the Southern Army to Gen. Nathanael Greene on the following 2 Dec. He then returned to his plantation in Virginia to await an official inquiry into his conduct, which never occurred. He briefly served on Gen. George Washington's staff at Newburgh NY, but he never again commanded an army.