

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Landon Carter S41471

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County of Stokes, December Sessions 1827 - State of North Carolina

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 1827 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for the County of Stokes it is a Court of Record [illegible word] the jurisdiction [illegible word] in point of amount and keeping a record of its proceedings in the State of North Carolina, Landon Carter resident in said County, aged seventy years 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> March 1818, and the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820; that he the said Landon Carter enlisted for the term of two years on the fifth day of February in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Samuel Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes], in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Alexander Spotswood, in the line of the State of Virginia on the — continental establishment: that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the expiration of the said term of two years, when he was discharged from the service at the Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, except the present, that his name is not on the roll of any State, except Virginia, and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension (viz) That he was unwilling to do so, so long as he was able to maintain himself, but that from the severe and continued affliction of two members of his family, and the consequent employment of a physician, he has been reduced to such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself, without the assistance of his Country, he being infirm and wholly unable to labour: and in pursuance of the Act of the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820, 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 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 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. I have no real property — I have thirty seven dollars due to me, it being a balance of \$100 my distributive share of my father's estate in Virginia I have one steer worth eight dollars — this constitutes what I am worth, necessary clothing and bedding excepted

[signed] Landon Carter

My occupation is that of a farmer without ability to pursue it. The following are the members of my family residing with me (viz) my daughter Margaret aged about 33 years without any capacity to contribute to her support, my daughter Lucy about 30 years of age, married and together with her husband living in my family she is herself much afflicted and her husband rather a charge than of assistance; not from inability, but from a want of disposition to contribute his part. My daughter Elizabeth aged about 28 years able to support herself. The following changes have taken place in my property since the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818, I then owned 400 acres of land one nag and ten or twelve head of cattle together with a few hogs of which that disposed of by sale as herein after described.

One Horse	Doct. Andrew Bowman	in the year 1826.	\$75
one cow	Doct Andrew Bowman	in the year 1824	20
400 acres of land	Doct. A. Bowman	24 <sup>th</sup> November 1827	100
one mare	Doct A Bowman	24 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 1827.	30

The following are the grounds upon which the above property was disposed of (viz) In consequence of the afflictions of my family, which have been protracted to the day I employed Doctor Andrew Bowman to attend on my family whose medical aid they have at intervals for several years received. To secure the payment of the debt thereby accumulated, I executed to him my bond for \$550 dollars bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 1825 and for a further security

I executed to C. L. Banner, for his [one or two illegible words] use, a deed of trust on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1827 for the 400 acres of land, and the mare above spoken of (an authenticated copy of which is hereunto annexed) by virtue of which deed of trust the said C. L. Banner Trustee as aforesaid, first having advertised the same for ten days, as was stipulated in said deed, proceeded, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 1827 to sell the said land, and the said mare, at the Court House door in [illegible word] at public sale to the highest bidder when and where Doctor Andrew Bowman became the last and highest bidder at the price of \$115 for the land & \$30 for the mare. the horse and cow above spoken of having been disposed of to the same Gentleman the horse at the price of \$75 and the cow at \$10 for medical services, as above rendered.

The other changes in my property have been slight and inconsiderable, the remaining cattle and hogs having been consumed in the support of my family.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court Decem'r 11th 1827

[signed] Landon Carter

NOTES:

Claburn Durrett of Caroline County VA (pension application S39469) deposed that he had served two years with Landon Carter. John Carter of Caroline County (S9131) deposed that he had seen Landon Carter enter the service at Port Royal in Caroline County.

A Treasury Department document states that the children of Landon Carter received his final payment up to the date of his death, 5 Sep 1838.