

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Henry Simler S46331

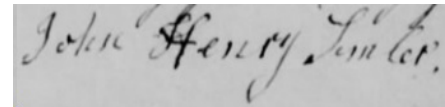
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Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May 1828, I, John Henry Simler, of the City of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, do hereby declare, that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination; at which period, I was a Private in Captain Bart or Bert's [Claudius de Bert's] company, in the First Troop of Light Dragoons Free Legion, Colonel [Charles] Armand. And I also declare, that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars; to which I was entitled, under a resolve of Congress passe the 15th of May 1778.

And I further declare that I was not, on the fifteenth day of May, 1828, on the Pension List of the United States.

Witness my hand this twenty fourth day of July in the year 1828.



John Hartyen of Germantown in the County of Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he is now on the Pension list of the United States [application not found] – that he served in the Revolutionary War as a private in Captain Bart's company First Troop of Light Dragoons, Free legion under the command of Colonel Armand – that he knows well John Henry Simler of the City of Philadelphia and knows that he was a private in the same troop with himself and that he served until the termination of the Revolutionary War and that the said John Henry Simler received at the same time with himself a discharge from the service of the United States.

[24 July 1828]

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,/ Aug't 9 1828

John Henry Simler, of Philadelphia has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in captain Berts (Light Dragon) company, in Col. Armand's corps and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th day of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3d of March, 1826, nothing.

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his office.

By order of the Secretary,/ A. Dickins

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,/ THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE/ 14th August 1828

It appears by the records in this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to John Simler in Colo Armands Corps

It further appears that John Simler is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3^d March 1826

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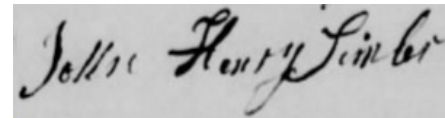
State of Pennsylvania } SS
County of Philadelphia }

I John Henry Simler, alias John Simler aged seventy seven years, do upon oath testify and declare, that about or in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty I enlisted and entered the service as a

private for the term of during the war, in the regiment commanded by Col. Armand and afterwards served in the aforesaid regiment under the command of Col. Armand and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the same regiment, commanded by Col. Armand of the [blank] line and when I was a private in the same: and I am unable to annex hereto my Certificate of Discharge from the Revolutionary Army as I placed the same together with other papers thought necessary to substantiate my claim, in the hands of the late James Philips, to deliver the same to Charles Smith Esq. of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, now deceased, Attorney at Law, for the purpose of procuring the bounty land to which I was entitled from the United States – and I firmly believe that my Certificate of Discharge and the other papers relating to my claim for bounty land, were placed by the said James Philips in the hands of the said Charles Smith Esq., for the purpose aforesaid, as I received somewhere about the yea 1809 or 1810, a letter from the said James Philips then in Philadelphia and where he shortly afterwards died, who stated to me in the said letter, that he had delivered all my papers to the said Mr Charles Smith for the purpose of making application in my behalf for my bounty land – and I further declare that the letter of the said James Philips to which I have referred is not now in my possession or power, but I believe that I delivered the same to Hardman Philips the brother of the said James Philips deceased – and I further declare that I firmly believe that my Certificate of Discharge and the other papers placed by the said James Philips in the care and possession of the said Charles Smith Esq., have been lost or mislaid, as I have frequently heard that they were, by the said Charles Smith Esq.

I further declare that I never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States, nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this twenty ninth day of October A.D. 1828.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Henry Timber". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.