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Pension Application of Philip Peter Baker W5772

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Virginia

Shenandoah County Ss.

On this 11th day of June A.D. 1836 personally appeared before me, George Hottel, a Justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid, Philip Peter Baker, a resident of the county and state aforesaid, in his seventy eighth year of age, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed June the 7th 1832. That in the fall of the year 1777, there was a draft made upon the militia of shenandoah county aforesaid, and that in said requisition, he was drafted to serve a tour of three months, that he marched from said county under Capt. Rouse, to Manocasy near Fredericktown [sic: Monocacy near Frederick] in the state of Maryland, from which place the Capt. and some of said company returned; and he, the said Philip Peter Baker, with the residue of said company joined a company commanded by Lieut. Abraham Bird, that he marched thence to Lancaster in the state of Pennsylvania, thence to Reading in said state of Pa. where he remained a few days, and then marched to head quarters, at a place called white Marsh [Whitemarsh], and he, and the company with which he marched there, under Lieut. Bird aforesaid, were attached to Col. Bowman's Regt. and remained there about, (annoying the enemy, who were in Philadelphia) until this deponent was discharged, on account of the expiration of his term of service, a short time before Christmas; that he received a discharge for the said tour of three months, which discharge hath been mislaid or lost. That in the fall of the year 1781, there was another draft made upon the Militia of shenandoah county aforesaid, and that in said requisition, he was drafted to serve another tour of three months, under Capt. Darthing, that he marched form the county of shenandoah aforesaid, under Capt. Darthing aforesaid towards Richmond V.a., but before the company reached there Cornwallis was taken [19 Oct 1781], with his army, at yourk town [sic: Yorktown]; he was then retained in the army there about for some time, and then marched back to Kindricks Ford on the South River of Shenandoah near Frontroyal [sic: Front Royal], in the county which is now called Warren, in V.a. where deponent was discharged on the 22nd of Jan'y. 1782; that he recived a discharge for said tour of three months, which discharge hath been preserved. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever, to a pension, or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

[signed] Philip Peter baker

Shannodore [illegible word]

This is to Certify that Phillip Peter Baker hath served his tower of Duty for three Months Being Drafted to go to Richmond Given under my hand this 22 Day of January 1781 [sic].

James Marney Lieut

[Philip Peter Bucher (pension application S8128) certified that he had served at the same time as Baker during 1777.]

NOTES: On 4 Jan 1839 Elizabeth Dorothy Baker, 74, applied for a pension stating that she married Philip Peter Baker on 28 Dec 1784, and he died 2 May 1837. As proof of marriage she submitted a family record certified by her son, William Baker, as having been shown to him by his father a few years before his death. The record is in old German, but the file contains a typed translation that reads as follows:

In the year 1759 On February 26 was my birthday, Philipp Peter Becker

On May 6, 1765, Thorothea Völkner was born

On December 28, 1784 we were married to each other

On September 24, 1785 a daughter was born to us with the name of Rebecca. Her sponsors were my sister Christina and Jerimias Eberle.

On December 25, 1787, a son was born to us with the name of Isac. His sponsors were my sister and brother-in-law.

On December 14, 1789, a daughter was born to us with the name of Catarina. Her sponsor was my sister Rosina.

On June 29, 1792, a son was born to us with the name of Phillipp. His sponsors were Johannes Schneiter and his wife.

On October 5, 1794, a son was born to us with the name of Henrich. His sponsors were Gorg Becker and wife.

On March 9, 1797, a son was born to us with the name of Willhelm. His sponsors were Jacob Lambert and wife.

On October 26, 1799, a son was born to us with the name of Jacob. His sponsors were Henrich Schweitzer and wife.

On February 4, 1802, a son was born to us with the name of Joseph. We ourselves were his sponsors.

On June 29, 1804, a daughter was born to us with the name of Christina. Her sponsor was Rahel Tidiwig.

On August 4, 1806, a son was born to us with the name of Samuel. His sponsors were Jacob Tidiwig and his wife.

On December 17, 1808, a son was born to us with the name of Luthwig. His sponsors were Henrig Feller and wife.