Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John Meyers: R7543
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

Phila’a May 16 1837
J. S. Edwards Esq
Commissioner of Pensions U.S.

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 9th inst was duly received, and in answer thereto have only to say that as a member of the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania Session 36 & 37 I applied for and received for her the usual grant of the State by an unanimous vote of the House.

In yours received by me you state that John Meyers is marked upon the list as a deserter in 1778, from Pulaski’s Legion. The affidavit of Susan Crock being the earliest information at hand I have hereby inclosed the event that followed the Battle near Charleston under Genl Pulaski and Col. Cowith, who were killed [see note below], caused the dismemberment of the Army – but John Meyers reenlisted under Col or Gen’l. Deluson [probably Col. Armand-Louis de Gontau, duc de Lauzun], in the Company commanded by Captain Miskefsky, and that he remained in the army under said Commander and others until after the defeat of and Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at York Town [19 Oct 1781], other evidence if indispensably necessary might though with expense be obtained.

I remain yours resp’y

Thomas Sewellen

N.B. Jno. Genther of Easton Pa. is said to be living, well known to the family and says he served with John Meyers during the war.

NOTE: Gen. Kazimierz Pulaski was mortally wounded at the Siege of Savannah, 9 Oct 1779, and Col. Michael de Kowatch was killed at the skirmish at the Old Race Track near Charleston, 11 May 1779.