

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Bohun Baker R12281

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State of South Carolina County of Colleton District

I, Captain Richard Bohun Baker aged sixty-nine years, do upon oath, testify and declare, that, in the year 1775 I enlisted for the term of "during the war," and served in the Regiment No. 2nd South Carolina Regiment under the command of Colonel William Moultrie of the South Carolina Line; and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the 2nd South Carolina Regular Regiment, commanded by Colonel at that time by Lieutenant Colonel Francis Marion.

I further declare that I have 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: therefore,

Know all men by these presents, that I, Richard Bohun Baker -- aforesaid, do hereby constitute and appoint major James Hamilton member of Congress to be my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States, a warrant for the quantity of land due to me aforesaid; and my said attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him, for the special purposes above expressed.

S/ Richard Bohun Baker

[attested January 31, 1827 in Charleston]

Warrant No. 1221 issued to Captain Richard Bohun Baker of the South Carolina Line for 300 acres of land -- February 22nd, 1827 and delivered to J. Hamilton

Charleston South Carolina August 23rd 1838

To honorable Joel R. Poinsett, Secretary of War

Sir,

I have been requested by the heirs of the late Captain Richard Bohun Baker to apply to the department for the arrears of this old gentleman's pension. He died on the 7th of November 1837, and 2 months pay is due -- where do you give directions that I shall be informed what course it will be necessary to adopt in order to procure the same.

Very Respectfully your obedient Servant

S/ James Simons, Attorney at law

[a note in the file reads in part: "He was paid to 4 Sep. 1837 the arrears do not appear to have been paid -- they may have been paid since the 3rd he June 1838 to which time we have returns."]

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