Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Stowers S31996
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State of Georgia Elbert County: On this the 19th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the Superior Court now sitting in and for said County Lewis Stowers a resident of the State and County aforesaid aged sixty-eight or nine years 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 may by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1781 with Colonel Taylor [Francis Taylor] and served in the Virginia Green Coat Regiment under the following named officers viz. Captain Richard White, Adjutant __Burton & Colonel __Taylor. That he enlisted under Colonel Taylor in the month of December 1781 that he was a Citizen, Orange County Virginia at the time of his enlistment but enlisted in Albemarle County Virginia. That he was enlisted for the purpose of guarding the British & Hessians called Burgoyne's men that were stationed in Albemarle County Virginia during their stay in Albemarle County he states that he marched from thence as a guard of said prisoners through Orange, Culpepper & Fauquier to Winchester & from thence nearly to the Allegheny mountain & from thence back again to Winchester he states that he continued in the service from the time of his enlistment until April or May 1783 when he was discharged by Colonel Taylor and has since lost his discharge. That he has no person now living within his knowledge by whom to prove his service he states that he moved from Orange County Virginia to the State of Georgia & settled in Elbert County forty-two years ago where he has resided ever since – he hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any State or Territory. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court

S/ Lewis Stowers, X his mark

Test: S/B. Houston, Clk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 16 months in the Virginia service.]