

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Vincent Howell VAS1630

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Petition for bounty land

Heirs of Lieutenant Vincent Howell of the Continental Line

The heirs of Lieutenant Vincent Howell received 2666 2/3 acres of land for his revolutionary services, in the year 1784. It does not appear, that they were entitled to more land. There is no evidence whatever in the case except the proof of heirship.

I presume your Excellency will make no allowance of Land to the Heirs, in addition to that already made.

Respectfully Submitted
John H Smith, Commissioner &c
April 15th, 1834

To his Excellency
Governor Tazewell

Madisonville Hopkins County Kentucky August 9th, 1833

Dear Sir

I write to you in relation to a claim which I may have against the general Government, or the State of Virginia as the law of may have provided upon that subject, as the heir of William Howell and Vincent Howell. I sent being close Deposition to the War Department and received for answer that the claim was referral solely to the Executive and Council of the State of Virginia with this information upon the law that unless William & Vincent Howell enlisted for during the war and served until its expiration that they could claim nothing against the general Government, I would esteem it a high favor from you to give [the image of this document cuts off at the bottom thereof at this point]

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and the necessary steps to be taken Lewis Powell you will see from the Deposition was the oldest son of William Howell and upon this principle his heirs are trying to get the whole claim in exclusion of the other heirs and if this claim should be one to be satisfied by Virginia it will be urged by a certain Willis Morgan of Muhlenberg County Kentucky as the agent of Lewis Howell the object of this letter is to ask such information of you as you may find convenient to give and to prevent the said Morgan from controlling the matter further than he is legally authorized to do, if Morgan should present this claim you will no doubt find that the heirship of Lewis Howell

proved separately before the court of Union [the image of this document cuts off at the bottom thereof at this point]

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was taken at his instance but when the heirship of others then Lewis was proven the witness was taken to Union County to get the Heirship of Lewis proven separately you will find from the deposition that William Howell was a wagon master and Vincent Howell was a Lieutenant in the revolution.

Yours very respectfully
S/ Arthur Slayton

[index card refers to the papers in the file of William Howell]