Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Daniel Burner R1471

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Overton County Court January Term 1825 of pleas and quarter Sessions, On the 31st day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five personaly appeared in open Court, it being a Court proceeding according to the course of the common law, denominated a court of pleas and quarter Sessions, held for the County of Overton in the state of Tennessee, Daniel Burner aged about 72 years resident in the County of Overton who being first duly sworn upon the holy evangelist of Almighty god according to the laws of the land doth on his oath declare and state that he enlisted and served as a regular soldier in the revolutionary war of the United States of America in the Continental establishment, as follows (to wit) that is to say he entered as a regular soldier into the United States service, under Captain Campbell his Christian name he does not positively recollect, but believes it was Richard [Richard Campbell, company raised 19 Feb 1776]], for the Term of one year the precise time of his enlistment he does not recollect but belives that it was some time between the years of 1770 & 1775 at Millerstown in Shanandoah County [sic: present Woodstock in Shenandoah County, which was called Dunmore County until 1778], and in place of serving one year he served the full Term and Tower of two years in one of the Virginia Regiments which Regiment was commanded by Col. John Bowman [sic: Abraham Bowman] the number of said Regiment he does not recollect and that he was discharged from service, at Charleston South Carolina he states that in some short time after he entered in to the service under Captain Campbell that he (Captain Campbell) was promoted to the command of Major [10 Aug 1777] and that John Sted [sic: John Steed, BLWt1919-300] the 1st Lieutenant was promoted to the Command of Captain, and that he (John Sted) commanded said company when he (Daniel Burner) was discharged he states that he was in a battle fought at Charleston South Carolina [Battle of Breach Inlet, 29 Jun 1776] he states that the troops at Charleston were commanded by Gen'l. Mughlenburgh [sic: then Col. Peter Muhlenberg] at the time he was there he also states that his discharge has been lost by casualty (towit) that his house took fire and his discharge was burned therein together with his household furniture &c. he further states that there is but one person within his knowlege by whom he can prove his enlistment and services (towit) Abram Lemons who lives in the State of Kentucky at a considerable distance from this he states from the age and inability of Mr Lemons and the great distance that he resides from this place it is out of his power to get him here so as to get the benefit of his testimony he further states that from his own age and infirmity it is out of his power to go to the residence of Mr. Lemons so as to procure his testimony and the said Daniel Burner further maketh oath that he was a citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed which is a true and perfect inventory of the said Daniel Burners whole estate of every kind and description (towit) One old mare labouring under a distemper called the big head worth about \$15, he has a wife who is some where about 76 years of age, he also states that she (his wife) is blind which together with her old age renders her entirely unable to do any thing for a support he further states that he has children living (towit) Barbary Burner, now Barbary livingston, Abraham Burner, Elizabeth Burner, now Elizabeth Bell, Isaac Burner, Susan Burner, Sally Burner now Sally Jones, Polly Burner, now Polly Coons, John Burner and Nancy burner, now Nancy Harmon he further states that his children all of

them are in poor and indigent circumstances so much so that it is out of their power to give him a decent support and also from his age and infirmity he is not able to labour for the support of him self and wife, Daniel Burner further maketh oath that in Sept'r. 1818 as he believes he had his papers proven in the circuit court of Overton County aforesaid before Pary W Humphris presiding judge, that his papers were sent to the war department by the first mail for inspection and that they have never been returned to him or any other person, so far as he has been able to learn, he further states that some years since he wrote to Josiah Watson Untied States agent a military affairs respecting the same and that said Watson aforesaid wrote to him that he had rec'd. his papers, and that he had found Daniel Burners name to stand fair on the rolls but for some omission in the papers he had inclosed them to Parry W. Humphries presiding judge aforesaid to be better arranged, he further states, that he has written to Parry W. Humphries respecting his papers, upon which Parry W Humphries writes in answer that he never rec'd. them Daniel Burner