Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Andrew Bower (Bowen) S16324 Transcribed by: Jordan Cowden, Anthony Thompson II, Jake Bauer, and John Fellure

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Andrew-Bower-Bower

Montgomery in the State of Indiana who was a pr & Fir [private and fifer] in the company Commanded by Captain Evans of the __ commanded by __ on the Va. line for six months Private, five months Fifer.

Inscribed on the roll of Indiana at the rate of thirty one dollars __ cents per annum to commence on the 4th day of March 1831.

Certificate of pension on the day 29 day of May. ___ And sent to John Wilson ___ Crawfordsville.

Arrears to the 4th March Semi-Annual Allowance 4 Sept

 $62.00 \\ +15.50 \\ \hline 77.50$

Revolutionary Claim, Act June 7, 1832

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Certificate returned & Altered from Andrew Bowen to Andrew Bower and Sent to John Wilson Crawfordsville 19 Sept. 1833

State of IndianaMontgomery County

On this 19th day of March 1833. Personally appeared in open court before John R. Porter President Judge and James Stitt and Absalom Ketchum Associate Judges of the Circuit Court of the County aforesaid now sitting Andrew Bower a resident in the County of Montgomery aforesaid and State aforesaid aged Eighty years who being first duly sworn according to law, oath on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress passed June 7th 1832—that he entered the service of the

United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, namely, under Capt. Isaac Evans (colonel name not recollected) in the year 1777 as fifer in sd [said] company which was not long after [in] the battle at German town [Germantown] & the British lying in Philadelphia at the time that he entered the service at Barkley County [Berkeley County] Virginia and continued in the service on this call for the terms of three months in the Militia service, principally engaged in scouting parties watching the movements of the enemy, that he was honorably discharged by his said captain by orders from General, whose name he is not sure of, but which discharge is lost by time & accident, that Afterwards in the year 1781, this applicant again entered the service in the militia as a substitute for Robert Campbell in the company commanded by Wm Porter [William Porter], went from Bartley Co. [Berkeley County] Va. and entered the service under general Mulenburgh [Peter Muhlenberg and served for three months principally engaged in watching the enemy and at the expiration of this term we left the British at or near Richmond, Va. Where we were relieved and returned home. Soon after we returned home another call was made and this applicant again entered the service in the Militia under Capt. Houce Permeter (or perhaps John Permeter) for three months in this time Lord Cornwallis & troops surrendered at Little York after which this applicant about the expiration of this last term.. or as he thinks after it, he was again discharged

That he received pay in Congress or continental papers which was of little or no value to him, that he has no documentary evidence & knows of no person living by whom he can prove his services whose testimony he can procure. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not to his knowledge or belief on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any state.

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That he was born in York County, Pennsylvania, has no Record of his age at this time, was born from best information in the year 1753 16th of February – he was drafted into service the first & last tours & was a substitute the second tour, each a tour of 3 months in all Nine months or a little over, that he did receive regular discharges for said tours but has lost the same ... Taverner Hays of his present neighborhood can testify as to my character for veracity & their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution.

Andrew Bower

Androw Bower

Sworn to in Open Court March 19th 1833 John Wilson clk [Tavener Hays and Daniel Daugherty gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Sir

The evidence in support of your claim under the act of June 7, 1832 has been examined and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes, you will readily perceive these papers that objections exist, which must be removed before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus). You will, when you return your papers to this department send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

January 4, 1930

Mrs. Eva B. Wells Box 43 Hanover, Indiana

Dear Madam:

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, 8.16324, it appears that Andrew Bower was born February 16, 1753, in York County, Pennsylvania.

He enlisted in Berkeley County, Virginia, and served in the Virginia Militia as follows:

In 1777, three months as a fifer in Captain Isaac Evans Company; in 1781, three months in Captain William Porters Company: and soon after this three months in Captain Permeter's Company, this last tour was at the time of surrender of Cornwallis.

He was allowed pension on his application executed March 19, 1833, while a resident of Montgomery County, Indiana.

There are no family data.

The above noted Andrew Bower or Bowers, is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau.

Very truly yours.

B.W. Morgan Acting Commissioner.