

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Cornelius Devore S34319

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District of New Jersey Ss.

On this twenty fifth day of August in the term of August 1821 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common pleas in and for the County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey (The said Court being a Court of record in said County being constituted by the laws of this state a Court of record, having a seal proceeding according to the Course of the Common Law having power to fine and imprison with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount in civil causes and keeping a record of its proceedings Cornelius Devore of the age of sixty five years resident in the Township of Hardwick in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and on the first of May 1820 that he the said Cornelius Devore enlisted at Easton in the State of Pennsylvania in the year 1778 in the Pennsylvania line under Captain Georg McCully [sic: George McCully, pension application W7411] in the first Regiment commanded by Coln. Josiah Harmar [W3246] in Gen'l Waynes [Anthony Wayne's] brigade for the continuance of the war and that he continued to serve in the said Corps untill the close of the war when he was discharged at Carlisle [sic: Carlisle] in the state of Pennsylvania and that he was in the Battles of Stoney Point [sic: Stony Point NY, 16 Jul 1779] Green Springs [in VA, 6 Jul 1781] Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] Princeton [3 Jan 1777] Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] &c and at the Seige of York Town [Yorktown VA, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] – And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May 1820 the said Cornelius Devore doth solemnly swear that he was a resident 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 persons 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 and by him subscribed.

And this declarant further saith that he is sixty five years of Age by occupation a labourer. That his daily labour is his only means of subsistance that he has five children who by their labour bearily support themselves and can render no assistance to this declarant. This declarant further saith that formerly he was a cooper by occupation but by reason of the failure of his eye sight is obliged to follow that of a labourer Sworn to and declared in open court on the 25th day of August AD 1821 Cornelius hisXmark Devore
Schedule of all the property of the said Cornelius Devore necessary clothing and bedding excepted

Real property none.

Personal 1 Chest 3 earthen dishes five saucers and six cups 11 pewter table spoons 2 drawing knives 1 plain 1 ax 1 scyth 1 hand saw and an Instrument for splitting staves

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Personally appeared before me Jno. Johnson, one of the Judges of the Court of Common pleas of the County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey, Aaron McCollum, and being duly sworn according to Law, deposeseth and saith that some time in the winter of one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine he was called, as a militia man, and went, and Joined the army as such in the lower part of New Jersey – while in the Service, he got well acquainted with Corn's. Devore, the person now applying for a Pension, who was then in the Contineltal Service acting as a Soldier in Colo. Harmans Regiment and he see said Devore with his soldiers Regimentals on, in the service and has no doubt in his own mind, but that s'd Devore served as a soldier from his enlistment during the war – in the Contineltant establishment.
Sworn and subscribed before me this 16 Oct 1821

