Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Brewer S39213 fn23NC
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State of Kentucky Christian County

Henry Brewer a citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and County aforesaid declares that on the 12th day of May in the [year] 1777 he enlisted and entered the American Service as a private Soldier in Captain James Wilson's Company in the 10th North Carolina Regiment, North Carolina commanded by Colonel Abraham Shepherd on the Continental Establishment and that he continued in the American Service in the Regiment aforesaid and in the first Regiment of North Carolina line, as a private soldier against the Common Enemy for the period aforesaid until the month of August in the year 1781 at which period (August 1782) he received by order of Major Ogg [sic, Hogg?] an Honorable discharge which is now lost. That in consequence of the loss of his discharge he is unable to state the day on which he was discharged.

That he is now old and in consequence of his reduced Circumstances in life he has absolutely in need of assistance from his Country for support he is therefore induced to ask the aid offered by the Government by the 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."

That he relinquishes all pensions that may have, heretofore, been granted him by the United States; and makes this application for a pension in consequence of his reduced Circumstances in life.

S/ Henry Brewer, X his mark

State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office 19th of February 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this [State] in the Revolutionary war, that Henry Brower [sic] a private in Captain Wilson's Company of the 10th Regiment mustered on the 12th of May 1777 for ___. The term of enlistment is left blank and nothing said respecting his discharge. This Henry Brower is no doubt intended for Henry Brewer – the present applicant for a Pension. A warrant was issued to Henry Brewer for four years services as a private Soldier of the revolutionary Army on the Certificate of a Field Officer. Given under my hand the date above.

State of Kentucky Christian Circuit Court July Term 1823

In pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Test S/ Robt. P. Henry

S/ Henry Brewer, X his mark

A Schedule of the Property of Henry Brower

3 head of horses – 8 head of sheep – 2 cows & calves – 10 head of hogs, 1 chest, 6 chains, 1 table, pewter ware, 1 case of knives & forks, pot irons & hooks, cupboard & trimmings, loom, 2 spinning wheels, one real, Coopers ware, 3 plows, 1 grind stone, 2 mallocks, 3 hoes, 3 axes, 22 Saddles, 1 Lot of tools, 1 log chain, 2 pair chains & hames, Rawhides

And the said Henry Brewer declares that he his occupation is that of a farmer or tiller of the ground: that his age is 63 years that his wife is living, and is 60 years of age, that he has 4 children living with him: 1 son of 28 [last digit unclear] years of age, one daughter of 14 years of age, 1 son of 10 years of age, and one girl of the age of 8 years who is a cripple, and entirely helpless. That owing to a weakness in his back the said declarant is unable to work. That said declarant's wife is becoming very feeble and frail and not able to do any hard or constant work, that his eldest son is no longer subject to his control, – that his eldest daughter and youngest son are not able to maintain by their labor the whole family and that the youngest daughter is altogether a burden and must always be so. This declarant is unable to support himself and family without the assistance of his country.

Test: S/ Robert P. Henry

S/ Henry Brewer, X his mark

Sworn to & declared on the 25th day of July 1823 before me Benjamin Shackelford, Judge of the Christian Circuit Court by the said Henry Brower personally in open Court being a Court of Record of the County of Christian.

S/B. Shackelford

[on September 5, 1837 in Wilson County Tennessee, Henry Brower applied for the transfer of his pension to that state stating that he had moved there; he states he is in his 78th year of his age; he states he has moved there so as to enjoy the society of his children in his remaining days.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 5, 1819, for 4 years service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]