

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of George Bowers S40017

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George Bowers of Wheatfield Township in the County of Indiana in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Farmer upon oath makes the following Declaration – that the said George Bowers in the month of May AD 1778 enlisted as a private in Captain Nathan Williams Company of foot for three year in Col Eli Williams [sic: Otho Holland Williams's] Regiment in the 6th Maryland line that the Declarant faithfully served the whole of said term for which he was inlisted and was honourably discharged but does not Recollect the Date of the Discharge

That Declarant was in the battles of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] Camden [SC, 16 Aug 1780] and Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] Declarant was with Captain Williams when he fell at the Battle of Camdon and afterward was commanded by Captan Henry Topson of Baltimore MD. That Declarant Received written certificates of his Discharge and a Due bill for Sixty pounds the ballance of pay Due Declarant and he never sold it nor Received any part of it and that he has lost the same by time and accident.

That Declarant is 60 years of age infirm and in consequence of a wound he received in the scrimmage at Camdon in the left leg is in reduced circumstances in life and is now in need of assistance from his country for support and that he hereby relinquishes his Claim to Every pesion herby allowed him by the Laws of the united States

George X Bowers' signature

Sworn & subscribed the 9th of June 1818

State of Pennsylvania }

Indiana County SS }

On the twentyseventh day of September in the year 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of Common law, having a public Seal and power to fine and imprison held for the County of Indiana George Bowers aged sixty three years who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of may 1820 that the said George Bowers enlisted for the term of four years the fifteenth day of May one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine [sic] in in the State of Pennsylvania [sic] in the company commanded by Captain Williams in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Williams in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said corps untill the fifteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred and eighty one when he was discharged from the said service by Colonel Williams in South Carolina. That he was at the battle where General [Horatio] Gates was defeated in South Carolina [Battle of Camden] at Gilford Courthouse [sic: Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] the battle of the Cowpens – and at the battle of monmoth and other schirmishes and that he has no other evidence in his power of his services, and in one of these battles he was wounded badly in the leg – and 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 18 of March 1818 one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby 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 navel service of the United States in the Revolutionary war passed the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen 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 One gun. – fifteen dollars

Sworn & declared the 27th day of September 1820

George hisXmark Bowers

NOTES:

The file contains a slightly different copy of the declaration of 27 Sep 1820. In that declaration

his gun is specified as being a "Riffle Gun."

In the file is a query on behalf of George C. Bowers, son of George Bowers, stating that the elder Bowers died in Indiana PA on 15 Dec 1847.