

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Howerton S38836

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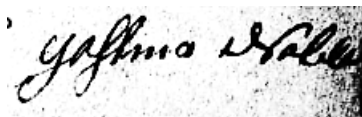
South Carolina Laurens District: Personally appeared before me James Howerton who being duly sworn says that he was enlisted into the Service of the United States by Captain John Morton of the 4th US Regiment Commanded by Colonel Stevens (afterwards Brigadier General) sometime in the first of the year 1776. That he served in the said Regiment two years and was duly discharged at Trenton in New Jersey sometime in the last of December 1778 – That he was present & fall at the Battle of the Long Bridge [Battle of Great Bridge, December 9, 1775] in Virginia under the command of Colonel Scott [Charles Scott] and at the battle of Trenton [December 25, 1776] under the command of General Washington. He further states that he is poor and stands greatly in need of the assistance provided by a late act of the General Government for the benefit of Revolutionary Soldiers.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of November 1818

S/ James Howerton, X his mark

South Carolina Laurens District: Personally appeared Joshua Noble before me who being duly sworn says that he is well acquainted with the above named James Howerton that he was in the service with him and verily believes that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true. He says that the said James Howerton is poor & needs the assistance of the Public.

S/ Joshua Noble



State of South Carolina Laurens District

Personally appeared before me James Howerton now a resident on Duncan's Creek, District of Laurens, who being duly sworn saith, That he is a native of Virginia, and enlisted as a Soldier in the fourth Virginia Regiment of Continental Troops, near Prince Edward Court house, Virginia, in the company of Captain John Morton & sometime in December 1775 – and was at the battle of long bridge near Portsmouth and also at the battle of Trenton– That he was regularly discharged in Philadelphia sometime after the battle of Trenton, his time being out –

That he has a family to support & is very poor & necessitous, having no slave, & only a small piece of land of twenty-eight acres – and has need of the assistance of his Country, according to the act of Congress in that case made & provided.

Sworn to before me this 21 June 1819

S/ James Howerton, X his mark

S/ Henry DeSaussure, Judge

State of South Carolina Laurens District: SS

Personally appeared James Houston [sic] (before me) now a resident on Dunkin's Creek in the district of Laurens aforesaid who being duly sworn on his oath saith that he is a native of Virginia, and enlisted as a Soldier in the 4th Virginia Regiment, a Continental Troop near Prince Edward Court House in Virginia in the company of Captain John Morton, sometime in December 1775; and that he was in the Battle of the long Bridge near Portsmouth; and also at the Battle of Trenton that he was regularly discharged in Philadelphia sometime after the battle of Trenton, his time being out, – That he has a family to support and is very poor and necessitous having no Slave, and only a small piece of 28 acres of land – That he was under the command of Colonel Adam Stevens [Adam Stephen], afterwards General Stevens – and that he has need of the assistance of his country according to the Act of Congress in that case made and provided.

Sworn to and subscribed the 17th November 1819 before me

S/ J. S. Richardson, Associate Justice

S/ James Howerton, X his mark

State of South Carolina Laurens District: SS

Personally came Joshua Nobles before me and being duly sworn on his oath saith that he was well acquainted with the within named James Houston [sic] in the 4th Regiment in the Virginia line in the Revolutionary war under the command of Colonel Adam Stevens since General Stevens.

Sworn to and subscribed the 17th day of November 1819 before me

S/ J. S. Richardson, Associate Justice

S/ Joshua Noble

South Carolina, Laurens District

I James Howerton Late a Private in the Army of the Revolution and Is Inscribed on the Pension List Roll of the South Carolina Agency – In Conformity with the Late Act of Congress Requiring Pensioners to Exhibit a Schedule of their Whole Estate and income (clothing and bedding excepted) to the Secretary of War exhibits the following To Wit

1 Small tract of Land 28 acres were	\$115.00
1 cow and calf & yearling	16.00
2 Sows & 13 pigs	18.00
3 Pots & 2 ovens \$4.50, 1 tub churn & 2 pails 68 ¾	5.18 ¾
5 Sitting Chairs 2/11 1 chest & table5.12 ½
2 p dishes & 6 plates \$4.75, 6 plates and 1 Sett C & saucers	5.37 ½
1 Mug & 3 tin cups	.18 ¾
1 Stone jar & pewter Bason	1.25
2 tin Buckets \$1, 2 meal Barrells 2/4	1.50
2 plows & 2 axes	2.68 ¾
1 Sprouting hoe & 3 weeding hoes	.75
7 Geece & 50 chickens	<u>5.87 ½</u>
	\$176.93 ¾

Due John Dunlap \$14.93 ¾

Due William Graham 8.25

S/ James Howerton, X his mark

Sworn to and declared in open Court on the Eighteenth day of April 1821
S/ James Howerton, X his mark
S/ Daniel E. Huger

State of South Carolina Laurens District SS

On the Eighteenth day of April 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a court of Common Pleas and a Court of Record for the State of South Carolina & established by act of the legislature of the said state for the trial of all offenses committed against the peace of said State as well as for the trial of citizens of the said State James Howerton aged Sixty Six years a resident in Laurens District who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War attached to the fourth Regiment and company commanded by Captain John Moton [sic] of the Virginia Line, 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: and that I am by occupation a farmer, but from age and infirmity I feel unable to pursue the same: and that my family consist of 4 in number besides myself, to wit, my wife Elizabeth aged 43 years, not very able and aiding me in a support. My daughter Greycy 35 years of age who is not very healthy and therefore not very capable of supporting the family, my son John Wesley aged 14 years and the said James considers himself and family in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support themselves without the assistance of his country.

Sworn to and declared in open Court on the Eighteenth day of April 1821.
S/ Daniel E Huger S/ James Howerton, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 21, 1819, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]