

### **Pension Application for William Beetton**

S.39988

District Court of the U. States in & for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

On the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred & twenty one, personally appeared in the District Court aforesaid, the said Court being a Court of Record, having a Clerk a Seal and keeping a record of the proceedings William Beetton aged seventy one years, residing in the City of Philadelphia who being first duly sworn upon his solemn Oath, declares, (in Open Court according to law) that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows vizt.

In Col. Crane's Regiment of Artillery in the Massachusetts Line—Date of Original declaration 3d April 1818, number pf pension, Certificate (16.542) And I the said William Beetton do further solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818; 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 so to diminish it, as to bring myself 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 the 18<sup>th</sup> of March; 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. (Signed) William Beetton.

Sworn to and declared in Open Court on the thirtieth day of March 1821. D. Caldwell, Clk Dist.

Schedule of the Property of William Beetton. I have no property of any description whatever am by occupation a day laborer, but am afflicted with rheumatism in the right shoulder to such a degree that I am able to labor but very little. I have no children and am in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support myself without the assistance of my Country. (Signed) William Beetton

Sworn to in Open Court 30<sup>th</sup> Mch 1821. D. Caldwell Clk Dist Ct.

He says he appointed Gunner at Valley Forge, that he was in the battle of Monmouth and of Springfield, and at York Town at the taking of Cornwallis.