

**Pension Application for John Handell**

S.39660

State of Maryland

City of Baltimore SS

On this twenty second day of April in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, personally appeared before me the undersigned John Handell of Baltimore County, aged about seventy one years an applicant for a pension under 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"—and then made the following declaration on Oath by me, administered, "that he came to America in the Hessian Army, deserted therefrom, and enlisted into the United States Service at Albany, State of New York on or about the first of January 1778, in a company commanded by Capt Fink of the First Regiment of Infantry, New York Line, under Colonel VanSlyke, was ordered to and mustered at Saratoga, and from thence marching to the "White Plains", near New York, where he performed duty until about the first day of November 1778, when deponant with others, being on a scouting party, was taken prisoner by a Troop of "British Light Horse" after having served in the service of the United States for the term of then ;months, and that there is no officers or privates of said Regiment living in the State of Maryland, to deponents knowledge that his name hath never been inscribed on any pension list, therefore hath none to relinquish, land from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support. (Signed with his mar) John Handell

Subscribed and sworn to before me. Alex Nisbet. Ass't Judge Ball' City Court