

### **Pension Application for James Howard**

W.10123 (Widow: Rhoda)

B.L.Wt.86051-160-55

Commonwealth of Kentucky

Montgomery County Court June Term 1818.

Ordered that it be certified to the Department of War that satisfactory proof made to the Court on the Oath of James Howard, that in the year 1775 he enlisted in the service of the United States, the Regiment to which he belonged is now forgotten his Colonel was James Clinton and his General was Montgomery under which enlistment he served six months and was honorably discharged but that he cannot now produce it being lost or mislaid.

In 1776 he enlisted under Captain Jackson for five months the regiment not recollected and was honorably discharged; he then removed to Virginia and in 1777 enlisted for one year under Colo Smith and at the expiration of the time received an honorable discharge.

He was then drafted to serve three months, which he did and during it fought at the battle of Guilford; he was again drafted for three months which term he served and was honorably discharged, all which said discharges are lost or mislaid. His age is 63 years.

It also appeared in evidence that the said James Howard is infirm and in very indigent circumstances and that he now stands in need of assistance from his government.

In testimony whereof I Micajah Harrison Clerk of the court of The County aforesaid have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of my office this third day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighteen in the 27<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth. M. Harrison

Letter in folder dated December 18, 1925, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim W.10123, it appears that James Howard enlisted in 1775 and served six months as a private in Colonel James Clinton's New York Regiment. He enlisted in 1776 and served five months under Captain Jackson. He then moved to Virginia, enlisted in 1777 or 1778 and served one year in Captain Potter's Company, Colonel Smith's Virginia Regiment. He was then twice drafted, served two tours of three months each, (officers not stated) and was in the battle of Guilford.

He was allowed pension on his application executed December 3, 1818 while living in Montgomery County, Kentucky, aged sixty-three years, and he died November 1, 1835.

In 1820, he had a wife, whose name is not stated, aged about sixty-one years. He married April 5, 1831, in Montgomery County, Kentucky, Rhoda Deboard, a widow. She was allowed pension on her application executed December 24, 1858? while living in Bath County, Kentucky, aged about seventy-one years.

There is no further data on file as to his family.