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Brewer, John A.

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John A. Brewer

of Newark in the State of N. Jersey
who was a Private in the company commanded
by Captain Flinnery of the Regt. commanded
by Col. Smith in the N. Jersey mils.
time for 6 months

Inscribed on the Roll of N. Jersey
at the rate of 20 Dollars ———— Cents per annum,
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 27th day of June
1837 and sent to J. M. Northman
Freehold, N. J.

Arrears to the 4th of March 37. 120.00
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4. Sept. 11. 10.00

\$130.00

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by D. Brewer Clerk,
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Indate
of death

Declarations of John A. Brewer, in
order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress
of the 7th of June 1832.

State of New Jersey
Monmouth County

On this eighteenth day of June — A.D.
Eighteen hundred and thirty four. Personally appeared
^{me the undersigned one of} before the Judges of the Superior Court of Common Pleas
in & for the County and State aforesaid ~~namely~~ John
A. Brewer a resident of Freehold in the County and
State aforesaid aged seventy three years, who being
first duly sworn ~~deposed and said~~ according to law
doth on his oath make the following declarations in
order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made
by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered in the Militia of New Jersey in
Monmouth County, in Captain Jacob Flemings Company
of Col. Hendrickhous Regiment in ~~the~~ April of the year
1777. Can't recollect the exact time and served in said
Company every other month alternately, in tours of one month
each for two years, that is to say until ~~the~~ April of the
year 1779 at least; that he cannot at this distance of
time pretend to state the particular time when
each tour of duty commenced and ended, but he
is certain that each tour of service as above named
was at least one month in length, and that he served,
in actual service, at ^{least} twelve such tours, during the
above period, from ~~the~~ April of 1777 to ~~the~~ April of 1779
making in the whole one year's actual service: but
a part of the above service was performed under Capt.
James Green who was, a part of the time, Capt of
said Company: That Daniel Hornum was then Genl: That
their head quarters were at Tipton Falls in said County,
and their duties were to guard and defend the inhabitants
of the town and precincts of said County from parties of
the British Army who were continually landing on
our shores from New York, Long & Staten Islands

And committing their depredations in every quarter: That he was warned out by the Sergeant of his district, at the time he first entered, and he answered the call of his country although he was not then quite sixteen years of age, being persuaded by his friends, and having at that time a strong desire to become a soldier: That they always assembled at Head Quarters at the commencement of each tour and marches from thence to one of the guard posts along the shore, and during the tour they might march to a half a dozen, for they were continually changing, as the exigency of the times required and as their officers commanded: That their principal guard posts along the shore as aforesaid were Sandy Hook, Highlands, Black Point, Long Branch, Deal; where were kept up a continual guard every night, each man being sentry every third night and sometimes other night: That he served a number of tours of short periods upon alarm, when it was not his regular tour of duty, (all the militia being then called out) but he cannot recollect the particulars of such service, it being very irregular, whenever a party of the enemy landed for the purpose of foraging &c. For such service he makes no claim, but claims a pension for one year's service as above stated: that he resided in Howell Township then Shrewsbury, in the County and State aforesaid when he entered the service: that he was not actually engaged in any Battles, but he was one who guarded the baggage at the Battle of Monmouth in June 1778: that his marches were altogether confined to his native country from Head Quarters to their guard posts above named and when not on sentry he was principally out on Scouts as they were called, patrolling the roads and shores between head quarters and the above named places, and marching to and fro according to the command of the officers watching the motions of the enemy.

In answering the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department I declare 1. That he was born in the Township of Shrewsbury (now Howell) County State aforesaid on the 7th day of May A.D. 1762. 2. That his age ~~was~~ recorded in his father's family bible ~~which was lost during the war~~ ~~now in the possession of some of his friends~~. 3. That he has resided in Howell Township aforesaid since the Revolution & now resides in Forchard. 4. That he volunteered in the service after having been warned out by the Sergeant. 5. That there were no regular officers when he served, no continental militia regiments except those of Newmonte County, and that the general circumstances ^{of his service} are mentioned above. 6. That he received no discharge in writing & has no documentary evidence of service, but he knows of Peter Patterson

and only one can testify to his service: 7. That he is known in his present neighborhood to

who can testify to his veracity, and their belief of his service as a soldier of the Revolution. That he served with an embodied corps called into service by the authority of the laws of Pennsylvania: that he served in field not in garrisons, and that for the time during which the said service was performed he was not employed in any civil pursuit. And that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on pending roll of the agency of any state

Subscribed before me
this day year above written
William Lloyd

John B. Brown

Rev. & 1812 Wars
Section.

Cot. 23, 1823.

See Serial 111-1111
John A. Brewer 1823
Miss Bertha C. Spencer,
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.

Madam:

I have to advise you that from the papers in the pension claim, S. 40028, that John Brewer enlisted in New Jersey, in March 1776, served as a private in Captains Anthony Sharp and Flanigan's Companies, Colonel Elias Dayton's Third Regiment of the New Jersey Line; was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, and was discharged February 12, 1780.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 29, 1818, while living in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, aged sixty-eight years. In 1830 he was living in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania with a son-in-law. He died December 12, 1832. There is no further data on file as to family.

From the papers in the pension claim, S. 5298, it appears that John A. Brewer was born May 7, 1762, in Shrewsbury Township, Monmouth County, New Jersey.

While living in said Shrewsbury Township, he enlisted in April 1777 and served as a private in Captains Jacob Fleming and James Green's Companies, Colonel Hendrickson's Regiment of Monmouth County, New Jersey Militia, every other month until discharged in April 1779.

He was allowed pension on his Application executed June 8, 1834, while living in Freehold, Monmouth County, New Jersey, aged seventy-three years.

There is no data on file as to family.

Respectfully,

Washington L. ...

Commissioner.