

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Lewis R6326
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Polly Lewis

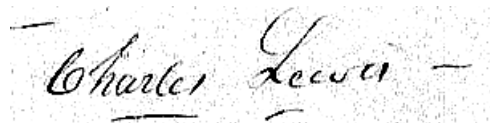
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State of Kentucky Todd County:

On this 11th day of June 1852 before me Robert Coulter, an acting Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Charles Lewis, a resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy years who being duly sworn according to law on his oath makes the following declaration, to wit: That he is a son and the only surviving child of Polly Lewis, deceased, widow of Henry Lewis, late of Caswell County, North Carolina, who was a private soldier in the Virginia Continental line of the Army of the United States in the war of the Revolution. That her name, before her marriage to the said Henry Lewis, was Polly Douglass. That they were married in Caroline County Virginia in the year 1777. That the said Henry Lewis died in Caswell County, North Carolina, on the 23rd day of August, 1799. That Polly Lewis, his widow, died in Henry County Iowa, on the __ of February 1841 aged seventy-nine years. That the aforesaid Henry Lewis served for the period of three years in the Virginia Continental line of the Army of the Revolution in the company commanded by Captain Merriwether [Meriwether] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Gibson. That during this three years' service in the regular Army he was placed on board a ship of war and served for a length of time as a Marine under Captain Allen. That he afterwards served in the Virginia State militia and was at the Battle of Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781]. That he makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the pension due his deceased mother, as the widow of the aforesaid Henry Lewis under any act or acts of Congress by which he may be found entitled. He now prays that an examination of his right to a pension may be had at the City of Washington and an allowance made.

S/ Charles Lewis

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Lewis". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Note: a summary of the contents of this file indicates that the claim was rejected for failure to prove the service rendered by the veteran.]