

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Luttrell R6535

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State of Tennessee Knox County: on this 9th day of September 1837 personally appeared before me M. M. Gaines, an acting Justice of the Peace in & for the said County James Luttrell a resident of the County of Knox & State of Tennessee aged eighty-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832: He states that he was born in Westmoreland County in the State of Virginia on the 12th day of February 1755, where he lived until about nine years of age, when he moved near to Rockfish River in Amherst County in Virginia: He states that he was drafted as a minute man in Amherst County in 1780 & was called into service in the same year. He states that he rendezvoused at the house of Abraham Warwick in Amherst; that Captain James Dilliard was the Captain of the company in which he served, Thomas Morrison was the Lieutenant & [words obliterated], & the Colonel of the Regiment was Peter Rose. That he marched to Hillsboro: that General Gates [Horatio Gates] was defeated at Camden [August 15-16, 1780] before the company in which he served could reach the battle ground, that he was in service several months & was discharged at Hillsboro by whom he does not recollect. In 1781, he states, he was drafted again, rendezvoused at Warwick's & marched under Captain Charles Christian; Stephen Watts was Lieutenant & Elija Christian the Ensign of his company. He was drafted in Amherst as before & marched to Guilford Court House. This was in March 1781. He reached within a mile of the battle Ground of Guilford on the evening of the day of the Battle [March 15, 1781]. The day after the battle, the company in which he served joined the command of Colonel Charles Lynch; & followed in pursuit of the British: That he was afterwards discharged at Guilford, by whom he does not recollect: He served in 1780 & 1781 as a soldier for which service he claims a pension: He states that he is old & his recollection feeble, but believes he served six months in each tour. Unfortunately his discharges were burnt up in his house. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, & he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State: He states that he lived in Amherst County until the year 95, & then moved to the County of Knox, where he has lived since that period to the present time. He states that he never applied for a pension before, because on account of his age, he was unable to recollect the exact term of his service, & he knew of no one who possessed that knowledge until lately he understood that Joseph Laine who was acquainted with the facts was alive & lived in Bradley County.

S/ James Luttrell



State of Tennessee Bradley County

This day personally appeared before me Joseph Seabourn a justice of the peace & Justice of the County Court for the County of Bradley Joseph Laine¹ a man of undoubted veracity and entitled to credit upon oath, who after being first duly sworn deposed and says that he was well acquainted with a certain James Luttrell a revolutionary Soldier who is now an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress passed in the year of 1832, that affiant & the said James Luttrell had been both Citizens in the County of Amherst State of Virginia & was familiar, acquainted with each other before the year of 1779 or 80 and that in said year they was both called into service in the month of June or July in said year rendezvoused at the house of Abraham Warwick in said County. Affiant was drafted or put into service under Captain Woodroof & the said James Luttrell was drafted or put into service under Captain Dilliard affiant saw said James Luttrell entered the service under his said Captain upon the day aforesaid affiant was marched under his said Captain into Virginia but said Luttrell was marched under his Captain in the North Carolina affiant did not see the said James Luttrell from the time of their separation at the place of rendezvous until after affiant's return from his Tour, affiant got home one or two days before said Luttrell's return, – Affiant in a very few days thereafter met with said Luttrell at Amherst Court house and understood from him that he had been all the time of his absence in actual service, of the United States, affiant cannot now recollect the day of his return home, but well knows he was out in service six months, and that said Luttrell was one or two days later getting home. – Affiant and said James Luttrell was both again at a rendezvous at the house of the said Abraham Warwick in the said County of Amherst the month or day affiant cannot now precisely recollect but it was in the year that Cornwallis was taken, said Luttrell entered into the service of the United States under Captain Christian & Lieutenant Stephen Watts, said Captain Christian's Company was then marched from said place of rendezvous as aforesaid into Carolina affiant substituted in Captain McCullis Company and was marched down the country in Virginia & was finally at the siege of York before affiant's return home, affiant never saw said Luttrell from the time they parted at the place of rendezvous until some length of time after both their returns home out of the service of the United States as aforesaid, but affiant believes said Luttrell served the six months as called out for as aforesaid affiant states that he is a revolutionary pensioner under the act of Congress of 1832 and payable at Knoxville East Tennessee affiant does not know what was the Colonel's name under which said Luttrell served as they served in different regiments & in different parts of the country.

Sworn & subscribed before me this 23rd day of September 1837

S/ Joseph Seabourn, JP

S/ Joseph Laine, X his mark

¹ Probably the same man as [Joseph Lane W1783](#)