

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lackland S13692

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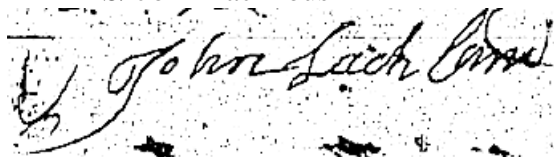
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State of Kentucky Scott County: SS

On this 22nd day of September 1832 John Lackland personally appeared before me, a Justice of the peace of said State & County, said Lackland being a resident of Scott County & State of Kentucky, aged seventy-seven 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was born in the year 1756 on the 9th day of August & the record of his age is in his Bible now in his house. That he was living in Rockbridge County, Virginia, when he was called into the service by a draft for three months. That he served under Captain Jno. Vanmeter of the Militia; he cannot state the day or year he entered the service – it was in the spring of the year; he was first marched to Pittsburgh & then to Wheeling & there remained the three months, when he was marched back to Pittsburgh & there discharged. That while he was at Wheeling the Indians, that summer, attacked the Fort, burnt some of the buildings, killed 50 or 60 persons as well as he recollects & all the cattle they could come at. That several years after that about three months before the defeat or surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], he was again drafted for three months he still living in Rockbridge County, & served under Captain David Gray of the Militia & was marched to the siege of York where he served until the expiration of his term, a few days before the surrender of Cornwallis, when he was discharged & returned home – That he never had a written discharge. That his last named Captain died in Kentucky near 15 or 16 years ago, on Hickman Creek. He does not know where his first Captain is, nor whether he is alive. At the siege of York, it would seem to be useless to state that General Washington was there, Lafayette &, &. That he has no documentary evidence by which to establish these facts & no person alive, that he knows of, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. That he is known to the following persons in his neighborhood, who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution as stated – viz.: James Patterson Esquire a justice of the peace – Asa Payne Esquire, J. T. Johnson, Joel Johnson, R. M. Johnson &c – Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above.

S/ John Lackhous

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Lackland", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

State of Kentucky Scott County: to wit

the foregoing declaration was subscribed and sworn to by John Lackland on the date therein

named, before me a Justice of the peace for the said County and State and that the applicant is unable to attend court by reason of bodily infirmity.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of September 1832.

S/ James Patterson, JP

[J T Johnson, "a regularly appointed public Teacher of Christianity" and R. M. Johnson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]