

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lott S18089

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State of Indiana Jefferson County Sct.

On this 11th day of February 1833 personally came before the Probate Court of the County aforesaid and State now sitting John Lott a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged ninety 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 Caroline County in the State of Virginia on the 22nd day of October 174? [last digit illegible]¹ as it appears from a register of ages now in his possession. That he entered the service of the United States as a Sergeant in the month of September 1778, at which time he resided in Albemarle County Virginia. That he belonged when he entered the service to the 2nd Division of the Albemarle Militia. That the division was ordered out by Colonel Thomas Jefferson afterwards President of the U.S. That his company was under command of Captain James Harris: That they marched to Hampton Roads where they joined Colonel Brookings [perhaps Vivian Brooking's] Regiment and remained there two months and five days and was discharged and returned to Albemarle. That he was again in October 1780 ordered out under command of Captain Bennet Henderson [Bennett Henderson] and Lieutenant Robert Sharpe and was attached at Portsmouth whither his Company was marched to Colonel Holt Richardson's [Holt Richeson's] Regiment of which ___ Roane of Gloucester County was Major. That he remained in the service at Portsmouth as a Sergeant two months and fifteen days and was discharged and returned Albemarle County where he resided at the time: That he was again ordered out in capacity of a Sergeant under command of Captain Elijah Hambler and his cousin Lieutenant ___ Hambler and joined Colonel Reuben Lindsay's Regiment of which Charles Lilburn was Major: That the company was marched up James River to Colonel Thomas Mann Randolph's to [indcipherable word] the military stores out of the reach of the British under command of Lord Cornwallis; And having served on this tour two months & twelve days he was discharged and returned home. That on the last mentioned tour he left home in June and returned in August 1781: That he again volunteered as a Sergeant and joined Captain Robert Sharpe's Company, while Cornwallis was besieged at York town, marched to Yorktown and was there when Cornwallis surrendered, and after (an absence of 31 days) he was discharged and returned home. That he never received a written discharge. That he remained in Albemarle County until the year 1786 and immigrated to Woodford County Kentucky then called Fayette County, where

he remained until the year 1818 and came to Jefferson County where he now resides: That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. He hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[Note: if signed, the signature is too faint to discern]

[Jacob S. Ryker, a clergyman, and John G Ryker gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$42 per annum for service as a Sergeant for 8 months and 12 days in the Virginia militia.]