

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Luke Millner (Milner) S31259

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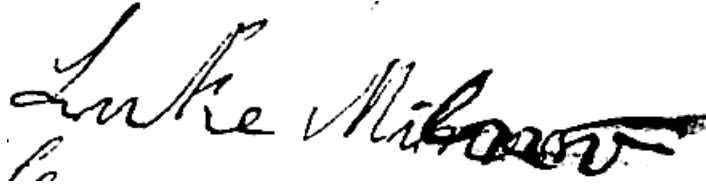
State of Kentucky Harrison County: Sct.

On this 14th day of February 1833 before me Joel Frazer a justice of the peace in & for the County of Harrison & State of Kentucky & a member of the County Court of said County & State – which is a court of record – appeared Luke Millner Senior aged upwards of eighty-two years having been born on the 20th September 1750 in Richmond County Virginia between Rappahannock & Potomac Virginia – who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the law of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein after stated – That in the spring of the year 177__he entered the service of the United States as an enlisted soldier for twelve months under Captain William Cock or Cocks – Lieutenant Nathaniel Terah Ensign William Williams Colonel Daingerfield [William Daingerfield] General ~~Steuben~~ Lewis, & he says General Steuben was in Company. That he marched from home to Halifax County where he then lived to Gwynns Island [Gwynn Island] where he was employed in work at making breastworks &c thence to Norfolk; thence to within ten miles of Fredericksburg and he spent the whole period in marching & countermarching & watching the enemy &c until this tour expired. He then came home & in a short time afterwards entered said service as a volunteer for six months under Captain Peter Rodgers, Lieutenant Thomas Threat, Ensign William Shackelford, Colonel Tucker, Major Duval, General Lawson. That he marched from Halifax County Virginia to Gwynns Island where he was when the battle was fought at that place [July 8 – 10, 1776] and thence across Rappahannock & up the Potomac & up to Colonel Fauntleroy's & thence through the country as before, until this tour expired & then he came home. That afterwards in the year 1781 about last of March or first of April he volunteered for 3 months under Captain William Cox, Samuel Bates was Lieutenant Colonel Charles Lewis & Haynes Morgan. That he marched from his residence in Halifax County Virginia to & was at the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], Thence to Petersburg, thence to Glebe [?] & Thence to Warwick, thence to Richmond thence to the Bowlinggreen [Bowling Green], thence to Richmond thence to Hanover, there he stayed a while with the sick & received a discharge from__ Clarke & came home. That he verily believes that he served for twenty-one months in the service aforesaid. That he received discharges for all of his said terms of service, but they have been long since lost or mislaid. That he knows of no one by whom he can prove his said services. That he resided in Halifax County Virginia every time he entered said service & up to 1790 then he moved to Lincoln County Kentucky. Thence to Harrison County Kentucky where he has resided ever since & now resides there. He hereby relinquishes every 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 or Territory whatever.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Joel Fraizer, JP HC

S/ Luke Milner

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luke Milner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "L" and "M".

[William Tucker, a clergyman, and John Trimble, William Coleman & William Woods gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Interrogatories & responses

Interrg. 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ansr. I was born in Richmond County Virginia on the 20th of September 1750

Interrg.2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ansr. I have no record of my age, my father's family record was burnt by the British during the Revolution, I have my age from tradition & believe it is true

Interrg.3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ansr. I was living in Halifax County Virginia. I lived in said County & State until 1790 – Then I moved to Lincoln County Kentucky; Thence to Harrison County Kentucky where I now reside, and have resided ever since.

Interrg.4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ansr. I enlisted first for 12 months, under Captain Cock or Cocke in Colonel Dangerfield's Regiment and served my time out. I then volunteered for 6 months under Captain Peter Rodgers and Colonel Tucker – Major Duval & General Lawson and having served said term of service I again volunteered for the term of 3 months under Captain William Cox and Colonel Lewis's Regiment and having served my term out I returned home

Interrg.5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ansr. Besides the officers above named – I was with & under Lieutenant Terah, Ensign Williams, General Williams & Steuben – Lieutenant Threat, Ensign Shackelford – Lieutenant Bates, Colonel Morgan. I recollect these officers & no more. I am now upwards of 82 years of age & my memory is very frail

Interrg.6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ansr. I received discharges for all my terms from my captains – which for want of care & supposing them of no use, have been long since lost or destroyed

Interrg.7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ansr. I will name William Botkins, Senior, William Baxter, Senior, William Woods, Senior, John Trimble, Senior, Joel Frazer Esquire, William Coleman, Senior, Claiborne Chandler Senior, Abner Hayden Senior, General John Conner, Major Hugh Levi, Major__ Demastus, William A. Withers, Esquire and many others too tedious to mention. I can indeed referred to all my neighbors without fear or hesitation.

In testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand this ___ day of May 1833
S/ Luke Millner

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Luke Millner". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned centrally below the typed name.

[Facts in file: the veteran died December 25, 1835; the file contains no family data.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 21 months in the Virginia service.]