

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Neill S31276

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State of Kentucky Henry County Sct.

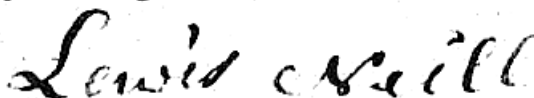
On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Samuel Todd, Judge of the Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, Lewis Neale [sic] a resident of said County of Henry and State aforesaid aged 72 years the 4th day of July 1832, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated. Viz. Under Captain John Rice as a Volunteer in the Virginia militia in the month of April 1781 joined the Army at Shocks Hill in the County of Frederick State of Virginia, the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Elias Edmonds, and General Lafayette commander in chief of the Troops at that place: He resided in the County of Frederick State of Virginia = from Shocks Hill the Army advanced about 12 miles to Soure Springs on James River below Richmond, the Army encamped there about twelve days and then retreated to Richmond and that night an attack was made on Manchester and the Americans were routed – from Richmond the Army retreated to Hanover Court House & from thence to Raccoon Ford where General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] joined the Army at Brock's bridge the said Neale declares as aforesaid that he was a forage master under a Major's pay – from Brock's bridge the Army Grand moved on down the River by land to York or near their and was there discharged after three months service and came Home = He afterwards entered the service for three months as a substitute for his Brother William Neale who was drafted this act he did Voluntarily; having left home he joined the Company at Winchester, the Captain lived on the South Branch of Potomac he believes and he was stationed at Parishes Hill under Colonel Holmes at this time – & having served three months he was discharged at or near Winchester: He can prove the first Tour (in part by John Blackmore [sic] and that he knows of know [no] person, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to the remainder of his services.

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 = that he has lost his discharges & his commission & has no documentary evidence of his said service.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Lewis Neill



[John Jones, a clergyman, and John Blakemore gave the standard supporting affidavit – he also added that they knew the veteran in Frederick County Virginia and that he was generally reputed

to have been a soldier.]

Henry County State of Kentucky

On this 13 day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court (being a Circuit Court for the County aforesaid and a Court of Record) John Blakemore¹ and made oath according to law, that Lewis Neale who has filed his declaration for a Pension in said Court on the day of the date hereof, did entered the Service with him at the same time under Captain John Rice as a Bound here in the Virginia Militia under the several other officers as in said declaration mentioned, and was with him continually until they were separated at Brocks Bridge in Amelia County. That the said Blakemore was with him the said Neale at the place (as stated by him in his said declaration) called the Magazine or Bull pen as a nick= name that said Neale was seen by him after they returned home = and he the said Blakemore verily believes that he the said Neale did serve as he states in his declaration & that it is so generally believed.

S/ Jo Blakemore

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J Blakemore". The signature is written in black ink on a white background. The letters are fluid and connected, with a large, decorative flourish at the end of the word "Blakemore".

[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.]

¹ [John Blakemore S30871](#)