

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Lanman S31812

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State of Illinois, Schuyler County: SS

On this third day of September A.D. 1832 personally appeared before the County Commissioners Court of Schuyler County, James Lanman a resident of the said County of Schuyler in the State of Illinois, aged 81 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 the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States at Charleston South Carolina in July 1776, as orderly Sergeant and served in the first Regiment of Rifle men in the South Carolina line for one year under Captain John Hampton, Presley Hampton Ensign Mark Jackson, Colonel Yougher [sic, Huger ?] General Williams [probably a mistake an attempt to identify then Major Andrew Williamson later promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in the South Carolina militia] and Major William Henderson and was marched in the fall of 1776 to the Cherokee nation and was then the Battle near Valley Towns at the mouth of Silver Creek on the Tennessee River, from there marched to a Fort on a River called Touglar [Tugaloo ?], which empties into the Savannah River, from thence to Charleston, thence to Sunbury in the State of Georgia, thence back to Charleston where he was discharged.¹ He enlisted a 2nd time as orderly Sergeant on the 3rd day of March 1781 near a town in North Carolina called Hillsborough under Captain Tillman Dickson [sic, Tilghman Dixon] of the Horse troops for two years and was attached to a troop of Horse under Captain William Butler, Grigsby Ensign David Hart in the first Regiment of Horse commanded by Colonel William Henderson under General Nathaniel Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]: He was in the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781]² and from thence marched to South Carolina and was in the Battle of the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781],³ in which he was wounded in the thigh, and General Henderson was also wounded, and both were taken to a widow Nelsons on Santee River, where he remained until he recovered of his wound, and was there discharged by General Henderson about 2 months before his time of service was out. He sent his discharge to Absalom Tatem a deputy paymaster at Halifax in North Carolina for his pay, who kept it. The paymaster's name was Mumford. He

¹ Veteran appears to be describing the events that occurred in the Cherokee expedition from August one 1776 to November one, 1776 described by J. D. Lewis at

http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html

² http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_guilford_courthouse.html

³ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

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 any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ James Lanman

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State of Illinois, Schuyler County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County, James Lanman who being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot state the precise time of his entering the service or leaving it, nor can he make a more particular statement than is contained in the foregoing declaration, that it is out of his power to make proof of his last service, by 2 witnesses, as is required by the regulations of the department. That he was discharged for his first tour of service by Major William Henderson, which discharge was burnt up in his house. That he was born in the year 1752 in the County of Fairfax in the State of Virginia, that he has no record of his age, that a record of his age was in a Bible by his half Brother who did live in Muhlenberg County in Kentucky but is now dead. That when called into service he lived at Charleston South Carolina that after the revolutionary war he removed to Caswell County North Carolina, thence he removed to Washington County Kentucky, thence to Indiana, from thence he removed to Illinois where he now resides. That he was a regular soldier. That he was acquainted with Major Wade Hampton, General Nathanael Greene, and with Colonel Archibald Lytle and General Marion and further saith not.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 18th day of June 1833.

S/ James Lanman

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Lanman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ James Lanman".

S/ H. Fellows, JP

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State of Indiana, Perry County

On this 25th day of December 1838, before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County of Perry personally appeared James Lanman who, on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captains Hart, Dixon & Captain Francis Prince, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Dixon in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Illinois from whence he has lately removed, that he now resides in the State of Indiana where he intends to remain, and wishes his pension to be there payable in future; and that his reasons for removing to the state of Indiana, or that he lost his wife, in said State of Illinois, and was left, without family or family connections, in said last mentioned State and that he is contemplating to spend the remainder of his days among his Children and Grandchildren in Indiana.

S/ James Lanman

Sworn to and subscribed to before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ Samuel Frisbie, JP

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State of North Carolina, Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that the name of James Lanman is not to be found on the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, or any other document affording evidence of such service.

Given under my hand this 29th of July 1833.

S/ Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 3 months and as a Sergeant for 3 months and 19 days in the South Carolina Continental line.]