

**Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of James Langly (Langley)S31813

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Georgia Troup County: on this the 14th day of January 1833 appeared in open Court before the Honorable the Inferior Court of said County now sitting (the same being a Court of Record) James Langley a resident of said County & State aged seventy years, who being 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 the 7th of June 1832 viz. that he was born on the 23rd day of March 1762 in the town of Hampton in Elizabeth City County in the State of Virginia, he has no record of his age but received his information from his father, that he entered the service of the United States in the North Carolina Militia as a substitute for a man by the name of Sherman in Captain Harrison's company and served a tour of three months as will appear by the discharge hereunto annexed. He volunteered during said tour under Colonel Armstrong to perform a tour of duty against the Tories at Shallow Ford on the Adkin River [sic, Yadkin River] & was engaged with them at that place, after their dispersion which immediately followed he returned to the Army and was discharged about twelve miles of Charlotte Court House North Carolina.

His next Term of service commenced at Lunenburg in the State of Virginia as a substitute for a man by the name of Parish in Colonel Garland's Regiment (the names of the Captain and other officers not recollected) he was marched to the Dismal Swamp in Virginia & stationed near a British Fort in the neighborhood of which he remained until the end of the term of service which lasted between 3 and 5 months the exact time not recollected he received a discharge but it has been lost or destroyed. His next Term commenced immediately after the former from Brunswick in Virginia (officers not recollected) he was marched to Pointy fork on James River and was there placed under the command of Baron Stuben [sic, Baron von Steuben] and was afterwards left with two pieces of Artillery and small guard at Carter's ferry on James River to guard the ferry while Steuben marched with the Main Army to join Washington & Lafayette who were in pursuit of Cornwallis. He was discharged at the station above mentioned after a service of 2 or 3 months & received a discharge from Colonel Jones of Brunswick (who commanded the Regiment at home from which he was detached) but it has been lost or destroyed.

In his next term of service which commenced immediately after the one note last above mentioned had ended he was drafted in Talbert's company of Mounted Riflemen and served under a Major by the name of Walton & under a Colonel by the name of Robinson from North Carolina and was marched down on Santee below Nelson's ferry & there joined General Marion and continued in that neighborhood near five months but was only discharge for 3 months service (this discharge has also been lost).

Finally that he served a tour of duty under Colonel Sevier in an expedition to the Cherokee Nation of Indians against said Indians about the termination of the war, the company

not recollected, but the Major's name was Andrews. This was a volunteer service and continued about 2 months -- he was discharged by Colonel Sevier but like those foremost of his other tours, it has been lost or destroyed.

The applicant further states that he knows of no person now alive who can testify as to his service. 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.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year above mentioned in open court  
S/ Oliver P. Fears, Clerk  
S/ James Langley  
[Henry Perkins, a clergyman, and Horatio S. Whitfield gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

#### Georgia Troup County

Before the Honorable Clk [clerk] the Inferior Court of said County in open Court personally appeared James Langley who being duly sworn saith that his first tour of service was in the year 1780 and that he was discharged, on the 9th day of November in said year after a service of three months as a private, by Colonel Wm L. Davidson [William Lee Davidson] who was his Colonel all of which appears by the discharge which is appended to his original application, and that by reason of old age and a consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively to the precise length of time he served in the other tours mentioned in his said original application but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and as a private in all of them -- he is in the second tour mentioned in said original application commenced about the first of the year '81 in Colonel Garland's Regiment, not less than three months, in the third tour commencing according to the best of his recollection the last of March or the first of April in the year last mentioned, not less than two months, in the fourth which was performed under the command of Colonel Robinson commencing about the first of July in the year last mentioned not less than four months, and that in the last tour, performed under Colonel Sevier to the Cherokee Nation which was in the fall of 1782 the deponent served not less than two months, that in all he served not less than fourteen months and that he is for this service he claims a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court this 24th day of June 1833.  
S/ Oliver Porter Fears, clerk  
S/ James Langley

Answers of James Langley an applicant for a pension under the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832 to the Interrogatories required to be propounded by the Court agreeable to the directions of the war department: viz.

To the first interrogatory he answers, I was born in the town of Hampton in Elizabeth City County in the State of Virginia on the 23rd day of March in the year 1762.

To the second Interrogatory he answers, I have no record of my age, but received my information from my father.

To the third he answers, I was living in Orange County North Carolina at the time I first entered in the service. I have lived since the revolutionary war at the high hills of Santee, in South Carolina, in Augusta Georgia, in Eatonton in Georgia and am now living in Troup County Georgia.

To the 4th Interrogatory he answers. I was a substitute in the first tour of duty for a man by the name of Sherman, I was a substitute in the second tour of duty mentioned in my said application for a man by the name of Charles Parish, I was a substitute in the third tour of duty specified as above but have entirely forgotten the names of persons to whom I served. In the fourth tour of

duty specified in my declaration I was drafted as is there stated, in the 5th to the Cherokee Nation I was a volunteer.

To the fifth he answers & says I have already in my original and amended declaration's stated nearly all the particulars of my service as well as I can recollect them. I served under General Gates and General Butler whose names have not been mentioned the others as far I recollect them have all been mentioned.

To the sixth he answers I received discharges for all my tours of service as well as I recollect signed by my several commanding officers I have now only one of them & that is annexed to my original application. Some years ago while living in Eatonton in assorting my papers I threw them all away as useless, after some days Irby Hudson Esquire picked up the one which is here enclosed and insisted upon my taking care of it, as it one day might be useful to me, the others were not found.

To the seventh he answers Besides the Reverend Henry Perkins and Horatio S. Whitfield Esquire who have already signed the required certificate I am personally known to General S. A. Bailey who is a Judge of the Inferior Court at present, but whose name does not appear on the certificate of my original application he will certify my behalf together with Colonel John W. Kindrick Major John E. Morgan and others who might be mentioned. I am also personally acquainted with the Honorable John Forsyth and the Honorable Richard H. Wilde to whom I think I may take the liberty of referring the department although it has been some years since I have seen either of them.

Georgia Troup County: in open Court personally appeared James Langley an applicant for a pension who being duly sworn saith that the answers which are above made to the Interrogatories propounded to him by this Court are just and true according to the best of his recollection & belief

S/ James Langley

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"James Langly of Capt Harrison Company  
of the three months Draught is hereby  
Discharged haveing served his tower of Duty  
according to law. Given under my hand this the 9<sup>th</sup>  
of November 1780

S/ Wm Moore, Col.

[signature below but illegible—might be that of Wm L. Davidson]"

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum for 14 months service in the revolution.]