

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Lumbley S32000

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United States, District of West Tennessee Sct.

Before me John McNairy district Judge of the United States district Court within and for the district aforesaid, this day personally appeared William Lumbley a citizen of Warren County within said district, who being first duly sworn makes oath and declares (the said declaration being made in order to obtain a pension under the act of Congress providing for surviving soldiers in persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary [war]) that he enlisted into the regular Continental service of the United States sometime in the year 1780 under Captain Howel Myrick in the first Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Campbell [William Campbell] who was afterwards killed at the battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], and in said Regiment he was placed under the command of Philip Sansome [Philip Sansum?] a Captain in said Regiment whose company belonged to the Battalion of the said Regiment commanded by Major Thomas Edmunds of Sussex County Virginia. He further declares that he served in said Regiment continuously for eighteen months, and was actively engaged in the Battle at Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], North Carolina, at the Battle of Camden [probably the second battle of Camden known as the Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], and the Siege of Ninety Six [May-June, 1781], the affair at Eutaw Springs and in many other skirmishes. He further declares that he was discharged sometime in the year 1782 at Salisbury in North Carolina, and since that time he has lost his discharge, and has no other mode that he knows of to prove his said service and discharge but by his own oath. He also declares that he is now about fifty-eight years of age, that he is in extremely reduced and needy circumstances, and has no reliance for subsistence but his own manual labor which he is very unable to perform being very feeble and decrepit, and therefore he confidently places his reliance on his Country and the gratitude of his government for assistance and future support which he cannot well do or live without. He therefore hopes to be placed on the half pay pension list; The whole of the Service he performed as before declared was done and performed as a private soldier.

Sworn to and declared before me this 21st day of March 1820

S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ William Lumbley, X his mark

[p 6: very, very faint document]

State of Tennessee Warren County: Be it remembered that on the first day of April 1822 personally appeared in open Court of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Warren and State

aforesaid William Lumbley aged sixty-two years resident of Warren County in said State who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. In the first Regiment Virginia line commanded by Colonel Campbell in the company of Captain Philip Sansom that he does not recollect the date of his original declaration, that the number of his pension certificate is [words too faint to discern] bearing date seventh April 1820.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed viz. one cow and calf worth ten dollars and did and furniture twenty dollars is all the property he possesses; that he is by Occupation a farmer and from age and infirmities is scarcely able to work – that he has a wife aged sixty-seven years named Mary, that she is very infirm and is very much troubled by the rheumatism. That himself and wife are old and infirm and are scarcely able by their United exertions to supply themselves with bread and meat.

S/ William Lumbley, X his mark

[p 14: On September 8, 1837 in Washington County Arkansas, the veteran applied for the transfer of his pension benefit to the Arkansas agency having moved from Tennessee to Illinois, thence to Barry County in southwest part of Missouri and immediately to the State of Arkansas where he now intends to remain giving as his reason for removing being too better his situation in life.]

[Facts in file: Veteran died October 28, 1843 survived by his widow, Mary; children all referred to but the only one specifically referred to is a son, Washington, who in 1823 was living in McMinnville Tennessee.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing March 21st, 1820, for service as a private for two years in the Virginia Continental line.]