

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Lazarus Harman S34911

MD

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State of Maryland

Worcester County Sct.

On this 10th day of April Anno Domini 1818 Before me the Subscriber one of the State of Maryland's Judges for the fourth Judicial District of the said State personally appears Lazarus Harman aged sixty years or thereabouts – resident in the said County and State, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:” That he the said Lazarus Harman enlisted in Snowhill in Worcester County and State of Maryland, in 1780 by lieutenant Co. Joseph Dashiell, and after being transferred to Annapolis entered the Company commanded by Capt. [George] Armstrong, who was killed at the Battle of 96 S. Carolina [Siege of Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781]; and whose place was supplied by Capt. Bell [possibly Lloyd Beall]. That he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the U. States untill the close of the War, when he was Discharged from service at Annapolis & State of Maryland, by Col. [John] Gunby who was Col. of his Regiment; That he was in the Battles of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], at Cambden S. Carolina [probably Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden, 25 Apr 1781] (where he was badly wounded & by which he is still disabled). That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of his Country's assistance for a support. That he served in the same Regiment with Col. Sam'l. Harper [Samuel Harper], who knows of his serving in the army, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Auditor's Office, Annapolis, May 1st 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the pay-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Lazarus Harman p't. received from John Hamilton, agent of the Maryland line, the sum of \$80.00 for arrears of pay from the 1st August 1780 to the 1st Jan'y 1782 Also, the sum of \$80.00 for pay from the 1st Jan'y 1782 to the 1st Jan'y 1783 and also the sum of \$43.30 from the 1st Jan'y. 1783 to the 15th Nov 1783 when his time expired.

Thos. Karney Aud'r/ State Md

14th May 1819. Samuel A Harper [S34910] proves the Reduced circumstances & Indigence of Lazarus Harman.

J B Robins

Worcester County SS.

On this 28th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said County be a court of unlimited civil and criminal Jurisdiction Lazarus Harman aged ninty one years resident in the State of Maryland in said County who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows
That he enlisted under Colonel Joseph Dasheel in the year of 178– to serve during the war that his Capt Armstrong who was killed in the battle of ninety six that he was wounded at at the battle of Camden after which he remained in the Hospittle and after that he was under the command of Bell until he was discharged by Colonel John Gunby when the troops were discharged
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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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 security 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. [two or three illegible words] interest in one hundred and thirty acres forest land Two old horses two yoke of oxen Four cows. Three yearlings & two Calves one sow and eight shoats twelve sheep one ox cart 2 Plows 2 Harrows 4 old chairs 6 plates 1 Pewter 4 Pewter spoons Iron pot 1 Tea kettle 1 dutch oven 1 coffee pot 6 cups and saucers 4 knives and forks 2 Tables 1 old Loom 4 old [illegible word] 1 on chain 2 Bolts and chains[?] This declarant has five in family that he is a labourer and quite infirm that his wife Betty is old and infirm that he has two sons John eighteen years old and Joseph who is twelve years old. That there is due and owing from this declarant four hundred and forty four dollars eighty seven cents

Lazarus hisXmark Harman

State of Maryland, Worcester County Sc.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828 I Lazarus Harmon of Worcester County in the State of Maryland do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service until it's termination at which period I was a private in Captain Bell's Company in the First Regiment of the Maryland line. And I also declare that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778.

And I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of May 1828 on the Pension List of the United States.

Witness my hand this 18th day of July in the year 1828. Lazarus hisXmark Harmon

NOTE: The 1820 federal census of Worcester County MD lists Lazarus Harman, a "Free Colored Person" over age 45.