

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Lane S35517

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First Judicial District Sct.

James Lane aged sixty-nine years this day appeared before the undersigned sole Judge of the first Judicial District in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and made the following declaration, upon oath, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress in favor of certain officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war, to wit.

That he is a citizen of Lewis County in the Commonwealth and Judicial District aforesaid. That in the fall of the year 17 77 at Union Town Pennsylvania he enlisted in and Independent Company commanded by Captain James O'Hana [James O'Hara] for the term of three years or during the war, which said company was raised by the State of Virginia to be stationed at the mouth of the Great Kenawa [Kanawha River] and was marched to Fort Pitt the same fall, from which time the company was attached to the 9th Virginia Regiment, on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel John Gibson. That he served in said Regiment in the capacity of Quarter Master Sergeant during the remainder of the war, At the close of which he obtained a discharge at Fort Pitt, which was signed by General Lincoln [presumably Benjamin Lincoln]. That he was in several skirmishes with the Indians but in no other battle. That he has never received a pension, and that he is now incapable of doing any laborious work; That he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for a support.

S/ James Lane

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Lane". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

I Adam Beatty, sole Judge of the Law in Circuit Court within the district aforesaid certify that the foregoing declaration of James Lane was duly sworn to before me on this day. I further certify that it was proved to my satisfaction by the oath of John Campbell¹ and Samuel Criswell² that the said Lane served in the Regiment of Colonel John Gibson upon Continental establishment for the term of three years and upwards. It was also proved to my satisfaction by the oath of Samuel Wilson that the said Lane is in very reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for a support. Given under my hand as Judge aforesaid this 19th of October 1818.

¹ [John Campbell S35820](#)

² [Samuel Creswell \(Criswell\) S35811](#)

S/ A. Beatty

The Commonwealth of Kentucky Lewis County

On this 17th day of July 1820 Personally appeared before the Subscriber Judge of the first Judicial district in Kentucky and now sitting in open Court in Lewis County being one of the Circuits of the first Judicial district and a Court of Record James Lane, aged 72 years and a Resident of said County of Lewis who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows –

He enlisted on the 8th day of July 1777 at the place called Union Town in Pennsylvania with Captain James O'Hara who commanded an Independent Company raised by Virginia State to be Stationed at the mouth of the great Kanawha, he Enlisted to serve during the war with Great Britain – In May 1778 part of said Company and a part of the ninth Virginia Regiment were sent down the Mississippi with a cargo of Continental provisions to barter with the Spaniards for clothing for the Troops at Pittsburgh. He the said Lane went on that expedition and exchanged their property at Arkansas for Clothing. The detachment returned to Pittsburgh about September of that year – O'Hara resigned, General Hand being in Command there – And the Company of O'Hara – Said Lane being one was attached to the ninth Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel John Gibson upon Continental establishment. Said Lane was then made Quarter Master Sergeant to said Regiment and continued to act as such until he was regularly discharged at Pittsburgh on the 26th of July 1783. The said Lane was on different Campaigns against the Indians first under General Hand against the Cuyahoga Town which they failed to reach on account of high waters. Secondly against the Munsee Town under General Broadhead Colonel Gibson himself being along. The said Lane is now on the Pension List and has a Certificate dated the 19th of October 1818 No. 11174. The date of his original Declaration he cannot precisely recollect but it was made before the present Judge then of the present district. And the said Lane 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

...never necessary and my own

One Cow worth	\$14	Two Buckets & Piggins	\$1-00
Two year old heifer	8	Five Charo acc. Hoop	5-25
Two head of sheep	6	Handy Scrapes worth	10-00
One Saw & 10 Shovels	12	Books Saddle Bridle & Hat	5-00
Two Tables	10	One new Gray Siller Barrel	
One metal	8-50	Handy articles worth	3
One French Tongue & Guidon	4-75		\$24-25
Springing Wheel & Wheel	4-50		66-25
Two Boxes Linn & Hoop	2-50		
	\$66-25		
		add	
		Total	\$90-50 ⁰⁰

James Lane

This is all I possess or only as above stated necessary Clothing and Bedding excepted. I have followed the Occupation of a School master, ever since I left the Service of my Country in its

Struggle with Great Britain and my discharge aforesaid –

I have no family except a wife about 70 years of age and three fourths of her time laid up in infirmity and sickness – Having raised 6 children who are all married and settled to themselves – the said Lane declares that he is very infirm and unable at present to attend to his occupation of school keeping. And that his circumstances are so indigent as to render him unable to support himself without the assistance of his country.

Sworn to and declared before the undersigned sole judge of the Lewis Circuit Court this 18th day of July 1820

S/ A. Beatty

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 19th, 1818 for service as a quarter master Sergeant in the Virginia Continental line.]