

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Leven (Levin) Cooper S35866 VA
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To the Hon. John C. Calhoun, Secretary of the war Department of the United States

I Alfred Metcalf, Circuit Judge in and for the fifth Judicial District of Kentucky and sole Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court in said District, do hereby certify, that this day Leven Cooper came before me and declared under oath, that he was a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Jefferson aforesaid; that he enlisted as a soldier, in the revolutionary army, for three years, unless sooner discharged, in the month of December 1776, and served, as such, until the 27th of December 1779 in Capt. James Sullivan's company [raised in Augusta County], in the 13th regiment of the Virginia line on continental establishment commanded by Col. John Gibson [S41578], when he was regularly discharged, by Lieut. Col. Richard Taylor [S46514] of the same regiment, but he has lost his discharge or it is worn out or destroyed; that he is sixty five years old, feeble and infirm, and lost an eye while in the service as aforesaid, and that from his reduced circumstances, he needs the assistance of his country for support

John Harrison [VAS1417] also made oath before me that he served in the same regiment with the said Leven Cooper, during all the time above specified in said Cooper's declaration, and that the statements, of said Cooper relative to the term of his service & his situation & circumstances in life, are true

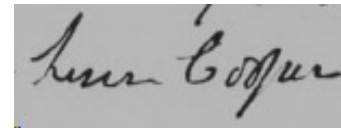
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twelfth day of May 1818
Alfred Metcalf

Levin Cooper A pensioner of the United States by certificate dated the ninth day of June 1819 at eight dollars per month came personally unto this court being a court of Record and delivered a Schedule of his estate which the court valued at \$91.00 and to which the said Cooper made oath agreeable to law, therefore it is ordered the said schedule and oath be Recorded and certified, To wit. on this 17th day of February 1821 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the fifth Judicial district of Kentucky by the common law and Statute law of this State Levin Cooper aged Sixty eight years Residing in Jefferson County who being first Sworn according to law doath on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, he enlisted in Captain James Sullivans Company in 13th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colo. John Gibson on the 17th day of December 1776 and from Pittsburgh he marched to the fort Catanion and from thence he Returned to Pittsburgh and from Pittsburgh he marched to Phillidelphia and joined the main Army commanded by Gen'l Washington and there he was inoculated for the Smallpox and the fever fell in his left eye and by Reason thereof he lost the sight of it and he is blind of it to this day, and from Phillidelphia he Returned to Pittsburgh and then marched on what is Calld McIntushes Campaign which was commanded by Gen'l. McIntush [sic: Lachlan McIntosh BLWt1549-850] against the Indians and then was stationed at Fort Larence on the Toskaroah River [sic: Fort Laurens on Tuscarawas River near present Bolivar OH] which fort was commanded by Collo. Gibson and he was there during the time it was beseiged by the Indians in the month of Feby 1779 and from thence he marched to Fort McIntush on the Ohio River and from thence he marched to Pittsburgh and then he marched on Broadsheads Campaign up the Alligany River against the Indians at the Muncy towns where they defeated the Indians and burned their Towns &c [sic: Col. Daniel Brodhead VAS1812 Campaign up Allegheny River against the Munsey Indian Towns, 11 Aug - 14 Sep 1779] and then Returned to Pittsburgh where he was discharged on the 27th day of December 1779 by Lieutenant Colo. Richard Taylor the number of his pension is 11,547 and the date of his original application is the 12th day of May 1818 and I do solemnly swear that I was a Resident citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 person 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.

One two year old colt three cows 2 heifers, one sow and 13 shoats five Sheep one common Cupboard and furniture, six Split bottom Chears, one breadfast Table, one shovel plough, one falling axe and mattock, one chist, 2 pair of old gears, one pot and oven, shovel and tongs, one weeding hoe, four knives and forks – one small Book Case

The declareant is by occupation a farmer his wife is aged Seventy one years, she complains much of Ill helth he has faild very much in one year by a severe spell of Sickness in February Last (1820) – he has three children living with him 2 daughters and one son the oldest a daughter named Nelly aged 41 years Very Sickly the other daughter aged 39 – named Sally the Son is 26 years of age named Samuel these Children all labour for themselves Sworn to and declard on the Seventeenth day of February 1821 – before the Court Afore Said



[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) in two files under the name Cooper, Levin.]

Jefferson County Kentucky sct.

I Leven Cooper now a resident of the county & state aforesaid, Do Certify that I enlisted in the company which was commanded by Captain James Sullivan & attached to the 13th Regiment about the month of Dec'r in the year 1776 in the Revolutionary war which then existed between the united states and Great Britain and that I served in the war aforesaid the period of three years & 10 days. Given under my hand and seal in the county afs'd this 1st day of Feb'y 1820.



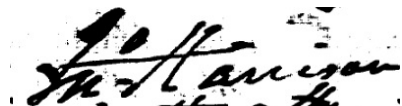
[heading illegible]

I John Harrison now [illegible] Town of Louisville County of Jefferson and [illegible] Kentucky, and formerly a Lieut. in the American army, during the Revolutionary war between the united States and Great Britain and belonging to the 13th Reg't in the virginia line, Do hereby certify that Levin Cooper now resident in the said county of Jefferson did engage or enlist, in the said army during the war aforesaid and that the said Cooper served under the command of Capt. James Sullivan and in the 13th Regiment afores'd, and that I was then well acquainted with the said Cooper and have [undeciphered word] and lived in the same county with him since the year 1784 about which time we both emigrated to this country. and that the s'd Leven Cooper who did enlist and serve in the war aforesaid is the same who now resides in the County of Jefferson.

Given under my hand at Louisville this 1st day of Feby. 1820

F Cosby JP

Jno Harrison late Lieut
in the 9th Virg'a Reg't



I John Harrison now a resident of the Town of Louisville & formerly a Lieutenant in the American Army Do hereby certify in addition to my certificate swon to subscribed & given on the 1st Feb. 1820 before Fortunatus Cosby Esqr, that Leven Cooper formerly a soldier in the American Revolution, did enlist (to

the best of my knowledge) in the army therof on or about the 17th Dec. 1776 under Lieut Robert Vance, who belonged to the Company then commanded by Capt James Sullivan in the 13th Virginia Regimt, which Regimnt was reduced to the 9th & 7th [on 14 Sep 1778] and Commanded by Colo John Gibson and that the said Cooper was discharged on or about the 27th Dec. 1779 by Lieutt Colo Rich'd Taylor of said Regimt; and that the said Cooper served during the term aforesaid as a good orderly soldier in evy senc of the word. In witness wherof I set my hand this 4th day of Nov'r 1820

Jno. Harrison



Note. I enlisted on the 17th Dec'r 1776 under Lieut. Rob't Vance [Robert Vance VAS348] of Capt. J. Sullivans Company Served in the 13th Reg't com'd by Will. Crawford [William Crawford BLWt921-500], discharged 27th Dec'r 1779 by Lieut. Colo. Richard Taylor [S46514] 13th Reg't when discharged, com'd by Colo John Gibson

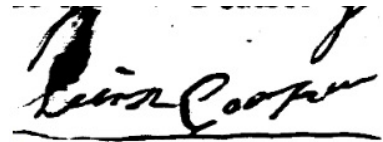
March 30 1821./ submitted & rejected.

Memorial of Levin Cooper to the Executive of Virginia

Your memorialist respectfully represents to the Executive of Virginia that he resides in the County of Jefferson State of Kentucky, and that he is a pensioner under the act of Congress of 1818 that he enlisted in the Company Commanded by Captain James Sullivan of the Regiment No. 13th of the Virginia Continental line commanded by Colonel William Crawford in the fall of the year 1776 and served upwards of three years at which time he was honorably discharged having served the full term of his enlistment for three years Your Memorialist therefore respectfully requests the Executive of Virginia to direct the register of the land office of Virginia to issue to his attoney in fact John P Duvall the Warrant for the bounty land due him from the State of Virginia for three years Services as a private in the Continental line of Virginia during the the War of the Revolution

[26 Jan 1835]

Signed



State of Kentucky }
County of Bullitt }

I Nathaniel T Saunders a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby Certify that John Buzan [S35800] is a creditable Witness, and that he personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and made Oath that he is well acquainted with Leven Cooper a private in the Virginia Continental line during the war of the Revolution that the said Cooper served for the term of three years and that he is on the pension roll of the state of Kentucky, as a private in the Virginia Continental Line, that the said Cooper lives in the County of Jefferson Kentucky and that he is the same person [several undeciphered words] 14th day of October 1834. Given under my hand this 17th[?] day of March 1835.

1835 Aug 8 Rejected

NOTE: A document in the federal pension file states that Cooper died on 24 July 1841.