

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Nehemiah Lingrell S36044
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United States
Delaware district, Sct

Depositions of witnesses produced sworn and examined before me John Fisher District Judge of the United States for the Delaware district, on the claim of Nehemiah Lingrell late a private soldier in the army of the United States in the revolutionary war, and now a resident and inhabitant of the district aforesaid, for a pension in pursuance of 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 March 1818.

The aforesaid Nehemiah Lingrell aged sixty-six years and upwards, being solemnly sworn in due form of law, deposes and declares as follows. viz That in the month of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, this deponent enlisted for three years under Captain [James] Gray commanding a company in the fourth Maryland regiment, which regiment was on the Continental establishment; that soon after his said enlistment this deponent was marched from Annapolis in Maryland to York-town in Virginia and arrived at York-town soon after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis to the combined American and French armies [19 Oct 1781]; that this deponent was soon after said surrender marched on to the Southward to join the army under Gen'l Green [sic: Nathanael Greene], which this deponent did join at a place called Bacon's bridge about four miles from Charleston in South Carolina; that this deponent thence marched with said army to a place called "Ashley-Hills," about the same distance or little nearer to Charleston; thence was marched over Wapoo Cut to James'-island [Wappoo Cut to James Island] where this deponent continued to do duty until the British forces evacuated Charleston [14 Dec 1782]; that soon after said evacuation about three hundred of said army, including General Guest [sic: Mordecai Gist] and Col'n. [John] Eccleston, embarked on board of a ship at Charleston and arrived at Annapolis aforesaid in Maryland; that this deponent with others of the army were thence marched to Frederick-town in Maryland, as a guard over a magazine at said place, where this deponent was discharged with the soldiers there on duty, in the month of February 1783 that said discharge was in writing but which this deponent has since lost – That this deponent, without intermission, was in the service of the United States on the continental establishment from the month of September 1781 to the aforesaid month of February 1783, making nearly or about 18 months service – And this deponent further saith, that by reason of his reduced circumstances in life he is in need of assistance from his country, for support; and further this deponent saith not.

Taken, sworn & subscribed this 8th day of May 1818 Nehemiah hisXmark Lingrell

Machael Hall Bonwell aged fifty six years in January next being affirmed in due form of law (he being conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath) deposes and declares as follows, viz, That he knows now and did know the aforesaid Nehemiah Lingrell forty years and upwards ago; that said Nehemiah Lingrell was a hireling with this deponents father in the year 1781; that said Nehemiah departed from the service of this deponent's father in the summer of said year and this deponent believes said Lingrell was absent for two years or thereabouts and that this deponent believes said Nehemiah was most of said time of absence in the regular army of the United States on the continental establishment; and this deponent further saith, that he believes the circumstances in life of the said Nehemiah to be very indigent and that he stands in need of assistance from his country for support; & further saith not.

[8 May 1818]

[signed] Mich'l H Bonwill

Sussex County State of Delaware Set

Be it Remembered that on this fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty, personally appeared in open Court of Common Pleas of the State of Delaware, at George Town in and for the County of Sussex aforesaid being a Court of Record for said County because Constituted such by the Constitution and Law of the State of Delaware, Nehemiah Lingrell Aged Seventy one years, resident in Nanticoke Hundred in the County aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows that he entered at Cambridge in Maryland with Captain James Gray of the Maryland line, as a Substitute for a certain Roger Hooper a Captain of the Militia. That the said Captain Gray took deponant to Annapolis, where deponant enlisted for three years in the fourth Maryland Regiment or of the Maryland Line, in the Army of the United States, the name of the Captain or number of the Company deponant does not now remember. That deponant served until peace was made with Great Britain and until he obtained an honorable Discharge, which he has since lost. That when deponant was discharged as afs'd he was keeping guard over the War Stores Guns &c, at Frederic Town in Maryland. That deponants Original declaration was made before the Honorable John Fisher at Dover, which bears date the 8th day of May eighteen Hundred and eighteen, agreeably to the Certificate signed by the Secretary of War, given at the War Office the 5th day of March 1819, which is numbered eight thousand seven hundred and sixty six on the back thereof. And I the said Nehemiah Lingrel 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 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. And I do further declare, that my Occupation is that of a farmer and that I have no other person to aid or assist me therein. That I have a wife aged sixty three years and one child a daughter aged thirteen years, which compose all the members of deponants family. That deponants wife is Afflicted with the Rheumatic pains, which incapacitates her from work one half her time and deponants daughter is as able to work as girls of her age generally are, and deponant is also as capable of work as people of his age usually are and no better.

Nehemiah hisXmark Lingrell

A Schedule of the Real and Personal estate of Nehemiah Lingrell referred to in the affidavit and declaration of said Nehemiah Lingrell

One Cupbord and ware worth Eight Dollars		\$8.00
One till blue chest worth one Dollar & fifty cents		1.50
Pair of Andirons old Shovel and tea Kettle worth	15/	2.00
Dutch Oven set Irons one tub & Milk buckett	11/3	1.50
One looking glass & wire sieve worth	15/	2.00
One old saddle & bridle worth	22/6	3.00
One plow & Harrow and Iron Wedges worth	15/	2.00
One grubbing hoe & pot tramel worth	15/	2.00
One lot of old Carpenters tools worth	15/	2.00
One fish barrel & [undeciphered word]	2/3	<u>0.30</u>
Amount of Personal estate		\$24.30

Real Estate

40. Acres of very swampy poor Land held in right of his wife	}	
at one Dollar p Acre	}	<u>40.00</u>
		\$64.30

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