

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Larkin Minor S36150

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Larkin Minor Aged 55 years

This 28th May 1818 personally appeared before me Christopher Tompkins Circuit Judge of Green County & designing to take the benefit of the Law of Congress of the United States Makes Oath that some time in the year 1780 he believes in the fall of the year, he enlisted as a soldier in the American Continental service in the Revolutionary War with great Britain in the Company of Capt. S. Stibling [sic: Samuel Stribling] & in the Reg't. of Col. Sam'l. Hawes, Continental Army & Virginia line for Eighteen months. The said Minor makes oath that he served from the time of his enlistment for the said 18 months untill in January 1782 was discharged in Salisberry [sic: Salisbury] in North Carolina honorably & obtained a written discharge which is herewith marked L. M. he farther states that from reduced circumstances and being old stands in need of the assistance of his country for support. When he was discharged the whole of the Regiment was discharged

[signed] Larkin Minor

The Bearer hereof of Larkin Miner Soldier 2^d Virg'a Detachment Capt Stribling Comp'y having served Eighteen months Being the Term for which he was engaged is hereby Discharged from said detachment in which we Certify he hath Behaved as a brave and faithfull soldier Given at Salisberry this [illegible] day of Jany 1782

S. Stribling Capt

S. Snead [Smith Snead] Major Com[mandant]

District of Kentucky County of Green Sct.

On this 16th day of March 1829, personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County of Green and state aforesaid at Greensburgh in the County aforesaid Larkin Minor resident in said County aged 65 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of the congress of the united states of America of the 18th day of March 1818 the 1st day of May 1820 and the 1st day of March 1823. that he the said Larkin Minor enlisted and served as a private soldier in the revolutionary war as follows, in the Redgment commanded by Colonel Samuel Hawes of the Virginia state line on the continental establishment in Captain Samuel Striplin's company, which will more fully appear by his declaration affidavit & discharge now in the office of the secretary of war under date [blank] day of [blank] on which issued a pension certificate number [blank] and dated 14th day of May 1819. 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 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 Towit.

200 acres poor land worth \$2 per acre	\$400.00
1 colt worth \$15.00 7 head of cattle \$20	35.00
15 head sheep \$7.50 18 head of hogs \$9.00	16.50
3 feather beds	54.00
1 cupboard & bureau worth	20.00
sundry farming utensils worth	5.00

2 tables worth \$5.00	1 chest worth \$3.00	8.00
6 winsor chairs worth [illegible]	1 pr steelyards worth \$3	9.00
1 old Saddle worth		<u>6.00</u>
		\$553.50

I owe twenty five dollars due next may & about twenty five dollars now due. I have one dollar in money, and about \$63 in continental money worth nothing. I have owing to me, in a note on a man who is hoplessly insolvent, sixty dollars & interest. I have three daughters living with me unmarried & 1 son who is seventeen years of age. I am very infirm & unable to work so as to do much at any thing: my children will probably leave me so soon as they become of age or marry. my wife is 57 years of age in July next. I stand in need of my countrys aid to support myself & family – my family have been so expensive & chargable to me for a few years past that my property has probably diminished in value. I lost one horse of considerable value that died, have had to sell some property to buy provisions &c for my family, in all the diminution, would be equal to perhaps three or four hundred dollars, but the proceeds have been consumed mostly as above stated. I have disposed of none with any view or expectation of ever again getting a pension as a revolutionary soldier: As however I aided my country in her time of trial & difficulty to procure her independence, & as I have suffered much loss by the continental money I hope in my old age, infirmity & passage down the decline of life she will assist me to live at least tolerably comfortable my few remaining days

[signed] Larkin Minor

NOTE: A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse VA after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following:
 Larkin Minor/ age 17/ height 5 9¼/ planter/ born in Amelia County VA/ residing in Powhatan County VA/ brown hair/ gray eyes/ fair complexion/ enlisted 2 Sep 1780 for 18 months.