

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of Francis Lucas S36687

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The State of Indiana } Ss.

Gibson County } Be it remembered that on the 27th day of June AD 1818 Before me one of the Judges of the Gibson Circuit Court and State aforesaid Personally came Francis Lucas aged sixty five years on the 10th day of March last resident in our said County of Gibson who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain 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 and states that he enlisted in the service of the United in the State of Virginia in Culpeper County in the Company commanded by Captain Abraham Bufferd [sic: Abraham Burford] of the Battalion of minute men commanded by Colonel Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] that he enlisted for twelve months in Sept. 1775 and was discharged in Sept. 1776, and that he enlisted in the county and state aforesaid for one year in the company commanded John Gillison in Colonel John Green of the 10 Virginia Rigiment and that he was enlisted in February 1778 and was discharged in the month of February 1779. that he was discharged at Middle Brook in the State of Jersey [Middlebrook NJ]; and further states that he enlisted in the County and State aforesaid on the 19 of march 1781 in the company commanded by Captain James Crane for Eighteen months and that he served out the whole of his time and was discharged at Cumberland Courthouse in Virginia by Cornel Feebaker [sic: Christian Febiger], and that he was in the following Battles Vzts at Long Bridge in Virginia [Great Bridge, 9 Dec 1775]; at the destruction of Norfolk [1 Jan 1776]; Monmouuth in Jersey [sic: Monmouth NJ, 28 Jun 1778] and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence in his power or proof of his services [signed] Fracis Lucas

In the Gibson Circuit Court October Term 1820

District of Indian Gibson County S.S.

On the Twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty Personally appeared in open court (it being a Court of record created as such by the constitution and laws of the State) Francis Lucus aged sixty seven years the tenth day of last March, Resident within said District who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, to wit, That he first entered the service for the term of twelve months at Culpepper Courthouse Virginia under Capt. Blueford in minute Battalion commanded by col. [Charles] Scott and continued in service the whole term and was discharge at Old Jamestown Virginia by Capt. William McClannaham [sic: William McClanachan] and that he afterwards Enlisted in Culpepper County Virginia under Capt. John Gillisson in January 1775 for the Term of one year in the tenth Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. John Green and continued in service during the whole term and was discharged at Middlebrook New Jersey by Maj'r. Samuel Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes], and that he again enlisted at Culpepper Court house Virginia in the regular service for the Term of Eighteen months under Capt. James Crain on the 19th March 1781 in the Regiment commanded by Col. [Thomas] Posey and continued in service during the whole term and was discharged at Cumberlin Courthouse Virginia by Col. Feebecker, and that he was in the following Battles, to wit, The Battle at Long Bridge Virginia, The Seige at Norfolk Virginia, the Battle at Monmouth New Jersey, the Battle at Savannah Georgia [sic: Siege of Savannah, 12 Apr - 11 Jul 1782], The battle at Savannah with the Creek Indians [probably skirmish at Sharon GA, 24 May 1782].

The date of his original Declaration for the purpose procuring a pension from the United States was dated on the 27th day of June 1818 and a pension certificate bearing date the 20th day of March 1819

granted him Numbered 7960. 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. The following is a Scheedule of the property of Francis Lucus Debts, dues & demands, towit, Tow Horses, ten head of Sheep, ten head of Cattle, thirty two head of Hogs, two axes, two hoes, two ploughs, one mattock, one pair rope geers, one clevis, one pair double trees, one log chain, one drawing knife, one Iron wedge, six sickles, two pots, two kettles, one griddle, one oven, one skellett & lid, one pair sad Irons, three pair pot hooks, one Trammel, one fire shovel – some cupboard furniture, one Table, six chairs and one chest – And I owe about the sum of five dollars and fifty cents as near as my memory serves me and have nothing owing to me – And I have the following family, to wit, my wife Fanny Lucus aged fifty two years and has been very sickly for this Twenty two years last past, so that shas not been capable of attending to any business, my Daughter Mary Lucus aged nineteen years, Jemima Lucus aged sixteen years, William Lucus aged thirteen years, Francis Lucus Jr. aged nine years – and my ocupation is a Farmer but being old and infirm am totally incapable of doing hard labour and further this deponent sayeth not.

State of Indiana } SS.

Gibson County } For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act of Congress for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th day of May 1828, I Francis Lucas, aged seventy four years, (a private in the Revolution) of Gibson County State of Indiana, do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the Revolution for and during the War [sic] and continued in its service until its termination, at which time I was a private in Captain Luke Camrons Company in the regiment Commanded by Colonel Posey of the Virginia line of the Continental army; I further declare that I was ragurly discharged after the peace at Cumberland Courthouse in Virginia by Colonel Feebaker. I also declare, that I afterwards received a certificate commonly called a commutation certificate for the reward or sum of Eighty dollars to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778. I further declare that I was not on the 15th March 1828 on the pension list of the United States

Subscribed and Sworn to before a Justice of the peace the 16th of January 1828

[signed] Fracis Lucas

[On 10 June 1829 Lucas again applied under the 1828 act, stating that George Humphrey (pension application W761) would corroborate his oath.]

State of Kentucky/ Henry County } Sct.

On this 8th day of April in the year 1830 came personally before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Henry Carter [pension application W8586], a credible person and made oath, according to law (I having the power of administering such on oath) that Francis Lucas of the County of Gipson or Gibson and State of Indiana and who has exhibited his declaration before the War Department as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in order to obtain his pension, did enlist in the year 1776 in the month of September in the company commanded by Captain John Gillerson for the Term of three years, said enlistment took place in the State of Virginia, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens in the line of the State of Virginia in the 10th Regiment on the Continental establishment under General [George] Weedon or Scott, that he continued to serve untill three years expired which took

place on or about the fall of the year 1779 in a place called Middle Brook in the State of Jersey or Pennsylvania – or the place where he was discharged was called Bonbrook during all which time he the said Francis Lucas served as a faithful soldier and was honorably discharged; and further-more, that the said Lucas did serve in the company, regiment and line above mentioned, and further that the said Lucas served eighteen months after his discharge.

Princeton Indiana/ 17th Ap'l. 1830

The Hon. Secretary of the Treasury U.S.

Sir/ After considerable trouble and expence, I have obtained the affidavet of Henry Carter, (a revolutionary Soldier,) by which you will see that I served in the Army of the revolution & in the Continental line. I have only to state that I did enlist for and during the war and served as such, until its termination at which time I was discharged, having served from the commencement until its termination, I do not know of any testamoney further than I have already furnished. If this should not be sufficient you will please give me notice. I do not wish any thing but what my Country intended at the time of the passassage of the law, nor do I blame the Dept. in being careful, for otherwise maney frauds would take place

I am yours sincerely/ [signed] Francis Lucas

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists Francis Lucas/ age 26/ height 5' 7½"/ red hair/ blue eyes/ fair complexion/ freckled/ born and residing in Culpeper County where he was drafted on 19 Mar 1781 for 18 months. Sized 10 Feb 1782.

A document in the file states that Lucas died on 8 Aug 1831, survived by a wife and children.