

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Levi West S39122
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District of West Tennessee

Levi West a Citizen of Rutherford County in the State of Tennessee came before me, and made the following declaration upon oath, (claiming to be placed on the Pension list of the United States). That he enlisted in the service of the United States in the year 1776 in the 6th Regiment of the North Carolina Continental Troops then commanded by Colonel Linnengton [sic, John Alexander Lillington], soon after by Colonel Lamb, and Archibald Lytle was Lieutenant Colonel first under the immediate command of Captain Mitchel [sic, George Mitchell] he resigned & Captain Pike² [? name written over and unclear] had the command until he died of smallpox, then Captain Donoho [Thomas Donoho] took the command, that he served as a drummer from his enlistment until the year 1779 a term of 3 years, and was honorably discharged, but has long since lost his discharge.

He further states that he was in the battle of Brandywine and in the Battle of Germantown in the year 1777. He further states that he is a poor man owning no land or Negroes, that he is only support is from his own labor, that he is in his sixty second year, much afflicted often with a sore leg & pains in his back, that he never had any pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 19th May 1819
S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ Levi West

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Schedule

District of West Tennessee Rutherford County: SS

On this 13th day of September 1820, personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said County of Rutherford Levi West aged 63 years, resident in said County, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: that I enlisted in the Army of the revolution in the month of May 1776 in Captain George Mitchell's company, 6th Regiment, in the North Carolina line commanded by Colonel

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² Captain Benjamin Pike is thought to have died as a result of the inoculation for smallpox.

Leonton [sic, John Alexander Lillington], that I was in the battle of Brandywine and Germantown, and was discharged at the end of the war by Colonel Archibald Lytle.

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 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. My occupation is that of a farmer, and I have no family living with me but my wife Mary about sixty years of age -- Schedule of Levi West's property to wit

One Mare and colt	\$65.00	amt Bot. forward	\$135.00
1 Cow, 1 Calf, 1 Yearling	15.00	1 plow and gear and	
1 Sow and piggs & 8 shoats	14.00	set tin cups and	
2 Beds and furniture	30.00	saucers	5.50
1 Pewter dish & ½ doz plates	2.00	2 tin coffee potts 10 ?	
5 Earthern plates ?? 1 Kettle,		1 table, 5 chairs	8.75
Pot ???	7.75	1 weeding hoe & 2 axes	<u>2.50</u>
1 sett Knives and forks?		Total Amt.	\$151.75
4 Table spoons 25	<u>1.25</u>		
	\$135.00		

Sworn to, and declared, on the 13th day of September 1820 before the Worshipful, the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Rutherford County, in Open Court
Test S/ Blackman Coleman, Clerk

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On the 12th day of February 1820, Levi West the within named applicant came before me and produced George West a credible witness in further support of his claim for a pension, who being duly sworn deposeseth and saith that he knows of his own knowledge that Levi West the said applicant did serve as a Continental soldier in the revolutionary War in the 6th North Carolina Regiment as stated -- in the affidavit of the said Levi West and that he served 2 or 3 years, that he is well acquainted with his circumstances, that he is a very poor man and stands much in need of aid from his government.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ G. West

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State of North Carolina Secretary's office 7th of June 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Levi West a musician in Captain Donoho's Company of the 6th Regiment was mustered in the year 1777, that he was Drum Major September 1777 and omitted in January 1778.

Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 19, 1819 for 3 years service in the North Carolina Continental line as a private.]