

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Phillip Nagel S41912

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To the Honourable the Senate & House of Representatives of the United States in Congress Assembled;

Your Mimorialist Philip Nagle a Volunteer Drum Major in the Copay [company?] commanded by Captn [Anthony] Selin in the Regiment commanded by Colonel [Moses] Hazen Humbly sets forth, that he is now aged about seventy five years, that he desires that Congress may act on his Case by way of special petition that your mermorialist declines Comeing under the Act of the 1st of May 1820 which causes the applicant to appear in Open Court he therefore Humbly sets his case before your Honourable Bodies as follows that he wishes his case to have a fair and impartial trial of that Honourable Body. that he entered first as Volunteer in Captn Grouls [sic: Jacob Graule's] compay of foot only a short period of time in that copay meeting Captain Selin he said My good fellow will you serve me as Drumer to which I accordingly complied with he had only a few men at that time at the time I first served Captn Graul was in the month of July of the year 1776 and in the month of December of the same year I served in Captain Selins Company and served as volunteer. I then Received United States uniform Clotheing I then put them on and recruiting the Captn Selin had the drum head nearly filled with silver dollars so that in a short time we enlisted many men in Reading Berks County and in a short time. and Captn Christ [possibly Henry Christ] I also beat the drum for him at the same time he was recruiting men for the United States service. I also was sent to Lancaster & York in Pennsylvania for the same purpose aforesaid. I have done my duty superior to that of any Enlisted Soldier I was not sick during said service except about two Days during my said services I was in the battle of Brandywine in Sept'r 1777 [11 Sep 1777] there seargeant Nicholas Lott [W3148] fell by a severe wound and a Number of Men wounded I was also in the battle of Long Island [27 Aug 1776] German Town October 1777 [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777]. I was at the battle of York Town in Virginia 1781 as near as I can recollect was in the fall of October [siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] I was then in Hazens Regiment Governor Nelson [Thomas Nelson of Virginia] Comanded and took the field in person of the Virginia Millitia LaFayette was there he was brave he ordered his men to attack with the bayonett Colonel [Alexander] Hamilton was also here in this battle. Major [Thomas] Barbour acted aid to La Fayette he was a fine man. some of the Enemeys redoubts were carried some in Ten minutes I do sincerely Declare that I am of firm opinion that I have beat the Revallee more than 2372 times as I beat the same every morning except the two in which I was sick I have the affidavit of Nicholas Lott of the Borough of Reading to prove faithful services. I have also the Certificate signed by Christopher Sherrer a Justice of the Peace of Berks County which full credit I presume are due them. the same Christopher Sherrer was in the service of the United States he was a Seargeant Major & knew me fully. I beg leave to state to your honourable Body that my son is now lingering in the Poor House of the County of Berks. I now in my old age ask the good will of my Country what ever the may think to do for me haveing served faithfull In Captn Selins comp the Regmt comanded by Genl Hazen called generally Congress Regt [sic: usually called the Canadian Regiment] I am poor and old I all I have & posses I will here give the Schedule

1 small House & Lot value	\$200
house & Kitchen Furniture	<u>20</u>
Property of P. Nagle	\$220

I do not pretend to go in any court house in the United States to swear to my poverty as that part is proven by the fate of my son.

Sworn to and subscribed

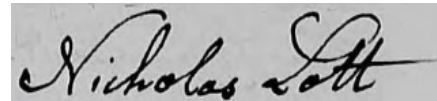
Coram[?] me the day & year aforesaid/ Christ'r Sherrer



Pennsylvania Berks County Ss

On the 15th day of February AD one Thousand eight hundred and twenty eight before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of Berks Came in person Nicolas Lott Late a Sergeant in the Armeý of the United States in the Revolutionary War, a Resident of the Borough of Reading in the County aforesaid who being first sworn in Due form of Law doth depose and saiy that To his certain knowledge he knows that Ph8ilip Nagle was a Drummer Volunteer Dr. Maj'r in the service of the United States that from the time he entered first the Armeý aforesaid in the Revolutionary war against the Common Enemy was Captns Krauls Copay and that the said Philip Nagle after a perid of time was elapsed was executing the duities of a Drummer in the Company commanded by Captain Selin that the said Captain Selin was the Son in Law of Colonel Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead]. that the said Philip Nagle was a Drum Major and deponant further says that the said P. Nagle first entered the services aforesaid about the month of July of the year 1776 and from that time he continued the service untill the war ceased which was AD 1783 and that the said Philip Nagle was a very usefull member that he behaved himself as a good Soldier and through him the United States Received many recruits as said Nagle was often recruiting and further that the said P. Nagle was in the Battle of Brandewine AD 1777 likewise in the battle of Long Island that he see P. Nagle in Colenl Hazens Regmt called the Congress Regt.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 15th day of Februa AD 1828  
Christ Sherrer

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nicholas Lott", written in black ink on a light-colored background.

NOTE: By an act in 1830 Nagel was granted a pension of \$8 per month on 4 Aug 1830. A note on the pension certificate states that Nagel died on 29 Sep 1843.