

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William F. Lynn S4586

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State of Kentucky McCracken County

On this 11th day of September 1832, personally appeared in open court before John Hardin, Abel Morgan & Epps Allen Esquires the Court of McCracken County now sitting, William F. Lynn, a resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

That he was drafted in July 1779 & entered the service on the \_\_day of August following, & rendezvoused at Salisbury, Rowan County, North Carolina, the officers were General of the militia \_\_ Lillington -- Colonel Hampton -- Lieutenant Colonel Hambright -- Major's name (if any) not recollected -- Captain Richard Graham -- Lieutenant Thomas Cowan -- Ensign John Wash -- Sergeant Major David Carney -- Drum Major, Samuel Davis -- remained at Salisbury 2 or 3 weeks & was ordered to return home, and to be ready to march again at one hours warning; remained at home in readiness about 3 weeks, then met the Company at Salisbury & marched to Colonel Thompson's, where he remained with the company 5 or 6 weeks awaiting orders to march, received orders & marched to the Edisto Saw Mills in South Carolina, thence to Bacons Bridge, thence to Charleston, encamped near Charleston about 4 weeks, then marched into Charleston & put under the command of General Lincoln of the Continental line. \_\_ Sharp was then Brigade Major, remained in Charleston about 2 months, discharged on the 24th of March 1780 & returned to his residence in Rowan County North Carolina, which he reached about the middle of April 1780. -- Term of service this tour, about 8 months.

That a short time before the defeat of General Gates he served about 6 weeks as a volunteer under Captain Lopp against the Tories on Drowning Creek, Little River, & on Rocky River had a skirmish with Tories, in which Captain Davidson of Rowan County was wounded, & one Tory killed --

That he was out on several other scouring expeditions in all (he thinks) about 3 months -- dates not recollected.

That he entered the service again about the first of August 1781 as a volunteer under Captain John Lopp and went on a scouting expedition down on the Pedee [River], and at

Massey's Ferry had a skirmish with a party of Tories -- marched up to Anson Court house and was met by Governor Alexander Martin of NC & by him pressed as a life guard to Salisbury, in Rowan County NC.

That while in the volunteer service & before he marched home was drafted for a 3 months tour in the horse service, about the first of September 1781, still in the company of the said Captain Lopp. The superior officers were Major White, & Colonel Smith, all under the command of General Rutherford & was marched down on the South side of Cape Fear River under the command of Colonel Smith to opposite Wilmington NC where we had an engagement with some British & lost one man. Thence 30 miles below to a place called Lockard's folly. -- On their way home from Lockard's folly at Drowning Creek had an engagement with some Tories -- after passing through Wilmington had another engagement with Tories & reached home the latter part of December 1781 & discharged by General Rutherford.

That he was born in Rowan County in the State of North Carolina on the 16th day of July 1762, that he has a record of his age in his possession.

That when called into service he was living in Rowan County NC as before stated -- in 1805 he removed from thence to Muhlenberg County Kentucky & in 1825 removed to McCracken County Kentucky where he now lives.

He states that all his services inclusive amount to about 15 months. He states that he received regular discharges but considering them of no value left them in North Carolina with some other useless papers, he also states that he has no documentary evidence of his services nor any evidence that he knows of better than that which he here adduces including the deposition of Isaac Lamb hereto annexed and transmitted. -- He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year first aforesaid.

S/ William F. Lynn

[Thomas J. Flournoy & Samuel Caruthers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Samuel M. Johnston, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

#### Barren County

This day Israel Lynn personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid & made oath that he knew William F. Lynn in the War of the Revolution & has personal knowledge of his services therein, that said William F. resided in the County of Rowan North Carolina & this Affiant thinks that the said William F. entered the service about 1779 or '80 or thereabouts, served 2 tours of duty about 3 months each one tour he was at Charlestown South Carolina & the other at Wilmington North Carolina (as this Affiant thinks) in a Light Horse Company. This Affiant does not now remember the Commanding officers under whom said William F. served. Given under my hand as a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid the 3rd day of September 1832

S/ Jas. Murrell, JPBC

#### McCracken County

This day William F. Lynn personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid & made oath that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of time he served as a revolutionary soldier but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned

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making in all 15 months & 15 days & for the this service he seeks a pension. Given under my hand the 27th day of July 1833, and that from personal debility & decrepitude he is unable to attend court.

S/ Charles Ashley, JPMC

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$51.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 15 months & 15 days service in the revolution.]