

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Royall Lockett S6799

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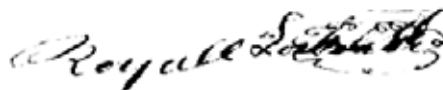
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State of Virginia Mecklenburg County: SS

On this 4th day of April 1833 personally appeared before me John S Jeffries he Justice of the peace Royall Lockett a resident of the said County aged Eighty-one years on the 5th day of August last, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he entered in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 for the term of two years, with William Moseley, and served in the 7th Regiment of the Virginia line the commanding officers of which he cannot recollect so as to state on oath – that he served in a Company commanded by Captain Charles Fleming and first Lieutenant William Moseley to whom he looked for his orders not knowing with whom the orders originated – That he served in the capacity of a common soldier or private and received his discharge near Philadelphia after the expiration of the term of his enlistment, in 1788 [sic, 1778?] – That this discharge has long since been destroyed or lost, not calculating that it would ever be of service to him. That he resided in the County of Cumberland in the State of Virginia at the time of his enlistment in entering into the service – that he marched from that County to Fredericksburg in Virginia – thence to Baltimore – thence to Philadelphia – that he was marching to & fro through the Country in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey during the two years of his service – that he has now in his possession an original letter written by himself to a friend on the 16th day of March 1777 dated from the Army at that time in New Jersey which enables him to state where he was at that date – That he was in the battle at Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and saw General Lafayette when he received a wound from the enemy in that engagement. – That at the expiration of his term of service in 1788 [sic] he returned to the County of Cumberland whence he had marched when he first enlisted & continued to reside there until about the year 1785 when he removed to the County of Mecklenburg aforesaid, where he has resided ever since. – That he has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no living witness by whom he can prove it. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Royall Lockett



[Note: The letter referred to in the body of the declaration is not contained in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]