

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lockhart S8850

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State of North Carolina Anson County} October Session 1832

On this 11th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting John Lockhart a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 69 years a soldier of the Revolution -- who being duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 --

I entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers -- and served as herein stated -- And first I volunteered as a private in the County of North Hampton [sic, Northampton] & in June 1780 -- under Captain Samuel Lockhart but was detained by sickness for a short time -- then I marched under Captain Burn¹ -- in the Regiment Commanded by Lieut. Col. Brickell [probably William Brickell] and Col. Sewell [Benjamin Seawell] -- and was marched to the South to Joined General Gates [Horatio Gates], passed into South Carolina to Hick's Mills near Cheraw hills where we received the news of General Gates Defeat at Camden in August 1780 [August 15-16, 1780]² -- when we took up our line of march to North Carolina to Salisbury from thence to Charlotte where we remained a short time and from there back to Salisbury -- where I was discharged by Col. Seawell in November 1780 -- having served five months.

In May 1781 I became a Substitute in the County of Northampton State of North Carolina for one John Vick under Capt. William Vaughan in the Regiment commanded by Col. Elliott and was marched to Sirens Point [?]³ on James River State of Virginia where I was discharged by Col. Elliott in October 1781 -- Served but three months -- although the time of entering & leaving the service was longer having served Eight months in all during the two Terms.

I have lost all my discharges -- and declare -- that I have no other documentary evidences of my Services -- And know of no person now living by whose testimony I can prove my Services except my brother, Adam Lockhart and John Hough -- whose deposition to I have procured and are here with enclosed.

¹ This MAY be Capt. Henry Bunn. See pension application of [John Hough W1183](#)

² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html

I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State whatever.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Lockhart, Sr.



1st Question by Court. 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. I was born in Princes Ann County [sic, Princess Anne County] State of Virginia on the 3rd of April 1763

2nd Question by Court. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have a record of my age in my Bible at home which was transcribed from the family Bible kept by my father.

3rd Question by Court. Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer -- When first called into service I was living in North hampton County North Carolina -- and when called into service the second time also. I continued to live in North hampton North Carolina for some years after the war from there I removed to the State of Virginia -- where I live about 20 years -- and from thence into Anson County North Carolina where I have been living 17 years and where I now live

4th Question by Court. How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I was a volunteer in the first term of Service -- in the second I believe I became a Substitute for one John Vick --

5th Question by Court. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. There were no regular officers with the Troops with whom I served. Although we were on our march to join General Gates -- his defeat at Camden South Carolina prevented our forming a Junction with him and his Army. I served in the Militia Regiment of Colonels Brickell and Seawell -- and Col. Elliott -- my services were in North Carolina and Virginia.

6th Question by Court. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. For my first time of Service I received a discharge from Col. Seawell for my second term of service I received a discharge from Col. Elliott they are both lost

7th Question by Court. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. The Reverend John Culpeper and Absalom Myers Esquire are well acquainted with me.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above

S/ John Lockhart, Sr.

Personally appeared in open Court this 12th of October 1832 Adam Lockhart, who being duly sworn according to law, doth upon his oath make the following statement viz. My brother John Lockhart the above applicant and myself resided at my Father's in Northampton County North Carolina. I have a distinct and perfect recollection that he volunteered in the service of the United States as a private in June 1780 under Captain Samuel Lockhart (his uncle) but my brother John Lockhart was taken sick in consequence of which failed to march off with the said Captain Samuel Lockhart who had marched to join General Gates, as soon as John Lockhart recovered from his indisposition I understood that he marched off, under Captain Burn or Burns in the Regiment commanded by Lieut. Col. Brickell and Col. Benjamin Seawell, the family frequently heard from him while he was in the Army and in the Camp until his return home the last of November 1780. I also know that he became a substitute for one John Vick in May 1781. I was present when my Mother fixed his clothing and knapsack the tears shed on the occasion has made an indelible impression on my mind, ~~I am of the~~ he joined the Army of Capt. William Vaughn our family frequently heard from him during that Campaign. I have a perfect recollection that he John Lockhart and Capt. William Vaughn returned together home in the fall of 1781. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written.

S/ A. Lockhart

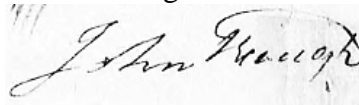


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State of North Carolina Anson County} This day came before me Allen Carpenter one of the Acting Justices for said County of Anson, John Hough⁴ of said County and a man of respectable standing and after being duly sworn according to law makes the following Statement that he knew John Lockhart who has subscribed & sworn to the Annexed declaration, he further says that he served a soldier with said Lockhart some better than four months that they both went from Northampton County North Carolina that they both entered the service about the same time, about the latter end of June 1780 and that they were both discharged near Salisbury sometime in November 1780. Sworn to & subscribed this 15th day of October 1832.

Test S/ Alexander Carpenter, JP

S/ John Hough



[Fact in file: Veteran died on January 30, 1835; there is no mention of a wife or children of the veteran in the file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 8 months service in the revolution.]

⁴ [John Hough W1183](#)