

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Lumpkin S8870

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State of North Carolina Granville County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1832

On this 10th day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open court before William M Sneed, Thomas B Littlejohn and Benjamin Bullock the court now sitting Joseph Lumpkin a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-four years on the 19th of September 1832, 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 seventh June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War as now herein set forth –

This affiant cannot distinctly recollect the day, month or year in which he commenced his service but thinks it was in the month of May A.D. 1777. He was born in the County of Essex, but removed in his infancy to the County of King & Queen in the State of Virginia, where he resided during the whole period of his service. His first Tour was under his Uncle Henry Lumpkin as Captain. The other company officers he cannot recollect nor does he remember the names of any of his field officers in this tour. His Term of service was forty days and he was marched to Williamsburg and Little York about which places he was kept on duty. This as well as most of his other tours of duty was neither by draft nor enlistment nor as a volunteer, but the Colonel of King and Queen William Lyne [William Lane] detached so many from each company in his Regiment and as the length of service was for the period of 40 days the Militia were frequently called upon and when the term of one detachment was about to expire, another was sent off and the first returned home – I never received a written discharge at the expiration of any tour of duty – This tour of 40 days was performed, I [was] discharged & returned home –

Sometime less than a year after this time I was again sent on a like tour of 40 days duty; and as I performed one tour as a substitute for my father Anthony Lumpkin I think this was the one; but my memory does not serve to state with confidence my Captain was John Pollard; the other Company Officers I do not recollect – We were commanded by Colonel Thomas Nelson – this tour of 40 days was performed and I discharged as stated in regard to my first tour.

I am unable to recollect how long a time intervened between the different terms of service, but I was required to perform a third term of service of 40 days again under Captain John Pollard and Colonel Thomas Nelson had the command of the whole detachment – Upon the expiration of my time, I was discharged and went home –

In the same manner I was required and did perform three other tours of 40 days duty under Captain Pollard and always commanded by Colonel Thomas Nelson. In one of them Captain Pollard returned home and Captain Philip Pendleton took his place. In all these tours of

duty the scene was at Williamsburg and Yorktown and the country round about. I was in no engagement or battle, but was often dispatched to drive the enemy in the many & constant incursions made upon the country by them in this part of the State, but was never able to reach the place of invasion before the Enemy had retired or had been forced to embark on board their vessels. In one of these tours of duty the relief did not arrive in time and Colonel Nelson retained our Company on duty 10 days after our term had expired making 50 instead of 40 days service.

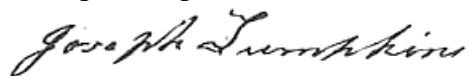
In the seventh and last Tour of duty I entered the service as a substitute for William Edmondson of Caroline County & State of Virginia. I joined the Army in Hanover sometime in the month of June before the capture of Cornwallis at York. I do not recollect who were our company officers, but Thomas Mathews was our Colonel. We marched from Hanover towards Yorktown and were on duty about that town, James town and thereabouts until the last of June or first of July & my term of service having expired I was discharged and returned home – I cannot recollect the number of days I served in this tour; but Edmondson whose substitute I was had only marched from Caroline to Hanover and adjoining County: I then took his place and completed his term of service – I am confident I served at least (and probably more than) twenty days –

Another service in which I performed duty was for work done in the Military Store Department at Prince Edward Court House in Virginia as evidenced by the Enclosed Certificate of Nathaniel Irish Commissioner of Military Stores. I was to have received three fourths of a dollar per day but have never received a cent for it.

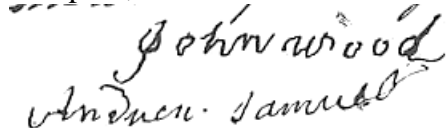
He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any State or Territory.

Subscribed and sworn to the date first before written.

S/ Joseph Lumpkin



[John Wood and Andrew Samuel¹ gave the standard supporting affidavit. In addition, John Wood testified that he served with Joseph Lumpkin in the first tour of duty set forth in Lumpkin's declaration. Andrew Samuel testified that he grew up in the same neighborhood with Joseph Lumpkin and went to the same school and mustered in the ordinary militia in the same company; that he knows that Lumpkin served three tours of duty as stated in the declaration under captains Lumpkin, Pendleton & others



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State of North Carolina Granville County

Joseph Lumpkin came before me William M Sneed a Justice of the Peace for said County & State who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says as follows viz. That in making and drawing up the foregoing declaration for a Pension he omitted to have been inserted therein the following fact in relation to his last Tour of duty the is That he enlisted for a Tour of six months service in the Military Store Department from the County of King & Queen and State of

¹ [Andrew Samuels \(Samuel\) S7443](#)

Virginia; that in the discharge of this duty he served two months of his time in the City of Richmond and three months at Prince Edward Court House, that is within about a mile of thereof – That he was discharged after serving five months as evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of Nathaniel Irish the Commandant of the Department on this duty dated 10th May 1781. The duty that was required of this detachment was principally to make and feel cartridges and cartridge boxes. In the latter of which I was chiefly employed – a part of my pay had been previously paid, but the amount stated in said Certificate was what remained due & unpaid on my discharge on that day.

At the close of the Revolutionary war this affiant returned to his residence in King & Queen from which County he moved to King William where he lived nine years, thence he removed & lived in the County of Essex one year. From Essex he removed to Caroline where he lived eight years, at the expiration of which time he removed from Virginia and settled in Granville County North Carolina where he has continued to live ever since –

He has a Register of his age now in the family Register, and took his own age from his father's family Register.

He never received any other discharge than that now sent –

He is unable to prove his service by any other witness than those that have testified in his behalf –

He expects to be able to obtain the Certificate of William Annis Senior and of the Reverend James King, the Pastor of the Church to which he belongs as required by the instructions of the War Department – subscribed & sworn to this eighth day of March 1833 before me

[William Annis gave a standard supporting affidavit: James King gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

Prince Edward Ct. house May 30, 1781

I do Certify that there is due to Joseph Lumpkin for working in the Mil. Sts. Dept. the sum of thirteen hundred and ten dollars which will pay him to this day Inclusive.

S/ Nat. Irish

Com. Mil. Stores

The image shows a handwritten document on aged paper, likely a military certificate. The text is written in cursive and reads: "Prince Edw. Ct. house May 30, 1781" at the top right. The main body of the text says: "I do Certify that there is due to Joseph Lumpkin for working in the Mil. Sts. Dept. the sum of Thirteen hundred & ten Dollars which will pay him to this day Inclusive". The signature "Nat. Irish" is written in the bottom right, with "Com. Mil. Stores" written below it. The document is divided into sections by vertical lines, possibly representing a ledger or a form.

Personally [appeared] before me M. D. Royster a Justice of the Piece of the County of Granville North Carolina Joseph Lumpkin who being duly sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than thirteen tours in the manner set forth in his declaration in grade of a common Soldier and for such he claims his

services this 20th September 1837

S/ M. D. Royster, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$22.22 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months and 20 days in the Virginia militia.]