

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Lachenauer (Lachenour) S9371

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State of North Carolina, County of Stokes

On this the 20th day of October in the year 1832, personally appeared before me John C. Blum one of the justices of the peace for the County of Stokes N. C. George Lochinaur a resident of the County of Stokes now of the age of seventy-six years on the first day of May last, and being first duly sworn according to law made the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

I the said George Lochanaur, was born in the State of Massachusetts, not far from Boston on the first day of May in the year 1756, as I was frequently told in my youth, not having any record of my age that I know of, -- I removed to Surry County in the State of North Carolina before I entered the service of the United States.

I entered the service of the United States and served under the following officers viz.: I lived about 5 miles from Salem in the County of Surry (now Stokes) State of North Carolina in the year 1776 – early in that year there was a call for volunteers for six months to go out against the Cherokee Indians, when I volunteered in the company commanded by Captain Henry Smith, Lieutenant ___ Pinkley our company was under the command of Colonel Joseph Williams. There were no regular force with us. We were called out in the early part of the month of May, (precise day not remembered) in the aforesaid year of 1776: We set out from Richmond, then Surry Court house but which is now in the County of Stokes & known by the name of old Richmond in the said month of May 1776, on which was then generally called the Cherokee expedition,¹ we marched up the Yadkin River to a place called Allen's Iron works, from thence we were marched back to Richmond, & remained there a short time: we were led out again & marched across the Allegheny mountains at a place called "Flower Gap" and continued our march to a place called Long Island on Holston River where we had our rendezvous – at this last mentioned place we joined a detachment of Virginians, and were all put under the command of General Christy [sic, William Christian]: we remained here several weeks, while small parties of us were often sent out to skirmish the Indians: from this place we marched through the Cherokee nation in various directions, skirmishing their towns on the Tennessee River, and on other rivers: we crossed French Broad [River] and many smaller waters. I was in no general battle during this tour, for we had none except the many skirmishes aforesaid. I was discharged from this tour on the 28th of November 1776 – somewhere in the nation, but the N. C. militia were kept together till we reached New River, or near the River, where I was discharged by my Captain & came home, having served a tour of six months. I do not remember that I received any written discharge from this service: but Jacob Lochanour,² who served this tour with me and who is now living in this County, can and will bear testimony of my service in the above mentioned tour. For the year 1780 about the first of August I

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776_TN.html

² [Jacob Lachenour S7129](#)

again joined the North Carolina militia, as volunteer and marched immediately for Camden S. C. There were some Regular soldiers with us under our Commissary Baskie, we were stationed at a certain mill (name forgotten) near the Battle ground, when the Battle of Camden was fought, in which General Gates was defeated [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780].³

After the defeat of General Gates we marched to Hillsborough in Orange County North Carolina. After having remained at Hillsborough some time I was discharged by written discharge, which is lost or mislaid. I do not know how long I was in the service this tour, nor do I know of any person living who can testify to my service during this last mentioned tour. When I was on my way home from Hillsboro there were soldiers stationed at Guilford Court House, but I think it was some time before the Guilford battle. Ever since the Revolutionary War, I have lived in the neighborhood in which I now live in the said County of Stokes in the State of North Carolina.

I am well known to Gottlieb Shoher [?] a minister of the Gospel now living in Salem and the County of Stokes aforesaid and to Thomas Pfohl [?] also a minister of the Gospel near the same place who can & will testify as to my veracity & character.

I, the said George Lochenour, do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any state, territory or district.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the said John C. Blum – justice as aforesaid on the 20th day of October 1832.

S/ John C. Blum, JP

S/ George Lachenauer, X his mark

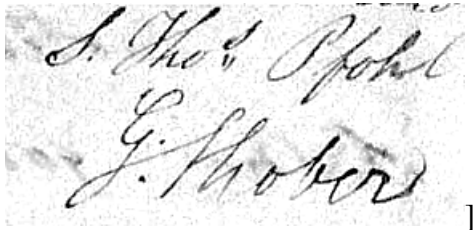
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I Jacob Lochenauer do hereby certify that George Lochenauer did serve the tour in the Cherokee expedition as he states, because I served with him under the same officers. Sworn to and subscribed before me John C. Blum Justice of the County Court of Stokes in the said State of North Carolina. October 20, 1832.

S/ John C. Blum, JP

S/ Jacob Lachenauer, X his mark

[Gottlieb Shoher and S. Thomas Pfohl, clergymen, gave the standard supporting affidavit.

The image shows two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature reads "S. Tho. Pfohl" and the bottom signature reads "G. Shoher". The signatures are written on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

[Note in file: "He died March 30, 1834."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]

³ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html