

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Lanter (Lauter) W10191 Mary Lanter f49Va.
Transcribed by William Lanter submitted 11/23/08
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State of Kentucky, Harrison County

On this 14th day of January 1833 before us Enoch Mathew, Joel Frazier, William Marshall, and William Brown, constituting the County Court of Harrison County, in the state of Kentucky which is a court of record, now setting, appeared Jacob Lanter a resident of Harrison County, in the state of Kentucky aged upward of seventy years, having been born on the 11th day of August 1762, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the law of congress passed June 7th 1832. He states that he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as is here in after stated: That he was drafted in the Virginia Service for the United States in the summer of 1778 under Captain May Burton, Lieutenant Smith and Ensign Rucker, in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Thomas Matthews [*Thomas Mathews*], (called the Bloody 3rd) and Major Nicholas Long in General Lawson's [*Robert Lawson's*] Brigade. This tour was for three months. That he was residing in Orange County Virginia where he marched to Williamsburg to and from place to place until the expiration of the tour, when he was discharged. General Lafayette and General Wayne were regular officers in the Service with him at the same time. That he also voluntarily took the place and station of his brother in law Henry Clayton (who was drafted) in the summer of 1781 under Captain George Waugh, Ensign Tarver Nelson in the regiment commanded by Colonel Ennis [*James Innis*] and Major Carey, under General Lawson. This tour was for three months that he marched from Orange County Virginia to Gloucester opposite Little York here and during the siege against Cornwallis. He spent the most of this tour and after the capture of Cornwallis, he marched guarding the prisoners to Fredericksburg, when at the termination of his tour he was dismissed and he went home. Generals Washington, Lafayette, and Wayne are recollected that he received his Captains Discharge for both of the foregoing tours, which were lost and destroyed on his journey to Kentucky on his removal that State that he verily believes and aspects his way in the actual Service of the United States full six months consisting of said two tours of three months each. He states that he was born in Orange County, Virginia on the 11th day of August 1762, that he has no record of his age that he was living in Orange County, Virginia, when he entered the service in both of his tours and resided there after the Revolution until the fall of 1810, when he started for Kentucky where he arrived in Montgomery County in the next spring and resided there until about 1820, when he removed to Harrison County, Kentucky, where he has resided ever since and now resides there.

He states that there is no person living within his knowledge by whom he can prove his services, except Claibourne Chandler¹ and Edward Pollard² who were in Colonel Mathews Regiment with him. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension role of the agency of any state or territory whatever.

¹ [Claiborn Chandler S16341](#)

² [Edmund Pollard S16510](#)

S/ Jacob Lanter, X his mark

[Claiborne Chandler and Edward Pollard gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p. 12: On November 10, 1838 in Harrison County Kentucky, Mary Lanter, 70 or 71 years of age, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Jacob Lanter, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him about the year 1784 or 1785; that her husband died July first 1837 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 13: On November 10, 1838 in Harrison County Kentucky, Hannah Lanter, 73 or 74 years of age, gave testimony that she is well acquainted with Mary Lanter widow of Jacob Lanter, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was present at the wedding of Jacob Lanter and Mary Webb now Mary Lanter in Orange County Virginia about 1784 or 1785; that Jacob Lanter died July 1, 1837 in Campbell County Kentucky and that Mary Lanter remains his widow.]

[p 43: amended declaration by Mary Lanter widow of Jacob Lanter stating that she has no family record of her marriage; that she had 10 children by her deceased husband the oldest of whom if living now would be about 52 years old and the you now about 27 years old; that there is no family record of the births of her children at this time that there once was such a record but same was lost years ago whilst moving from Virginia to Kentucky. This document is not dated but is supported by an affidavit acknowledged and attested on October 24, 1839.]

[p 4: Certificate dated June 2, 1849 by the clerk of the Decatur County Indiana court stating that William H Fear has qualified as the administrator of the estate of Mary Lanter, deceased, who died intestate in Decatur County.]

[p 5: testimony given in Decatur County November 11, 1850 to the effect that Mary Lanter late of Decatur County died on the first day of April 1849 in Decatur County the widow of Jacob Lanter late of Harrison County Kentucky; that her legal heirs were 5 sons and one daughter viz. Larkin Lanter, Archibald Lanter, William Lanter, John Lanter, James Lanter and Delilah Fear.]

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