Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Lynch W10210

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District of Kentucky Sct

On this 30th day of march 1820 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of Fayette County for the said district personally appeared Henry Lynch aged Fifty Six years resident in Madison County in said District, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War. That he the s'd. Henry Lynch enlisted in the year 1780 or 1781 in the State of Virginia for three years in the company commanded by Capt. Thomas Martin of the Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. Feebecker [sic: Christian Febiger] on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the s'd Corps or in the service of the United States until the year 1783 or 4 when he was honorably discharged from service at Richmond Virginia by Capt [Clough] Shelton under whom he served a part of his time he believes This deponent does not recollect the year in which he was enlisted as he was then young, but he distinctly recollects of having joined Feebeckers Reg't. at Cumberland Old Court House before the taking or seige of York [19 Oct 1781], and after the siege of York, he was marched to Charlestown in S. Cariolina [sic: Charleston SC], that he was in an attack made by the Indians on the Americans under Gen'l [Anthony] Wayne near Savannah [skirmish at Sharon GA, 24 May 1782], and that he is in reduced circumstances in life and stands in need of the Assistance of his country for support – and that he has no other evidence now in his power of said Service except the affidavit of Thomas Harris

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This day Thomas Harris appeared befor me a Circuit Judge & made oath that he has been long well acquainted with Henry Lynch (who made oath to the annexed Declaration for a Pension) & well knows he was a regular soldier in the Revolutionary War & served as therein stated & is in reduced circumstances in life. Sworn to before me this 1st day of March 1820

State of Kentucky Madison County Sct.

On this seventh day of July 1823 personally appeared in open Court it being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid Henry Lynch resident in said County aged fifty nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following Declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 and the 1st of March 1823 That the said Henry Lynch enlisted for the Term of three years, on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1780 or 1781 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt Thomas Martin in the Regiment commanded by Col Feebecker, in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment – That he continued to served in said Corps until the year 1783 or 1784 when he was discharged from service in Richmond Virginia by Captain Cluff Shelton.

A Schedule of the property belonging to Henry Lynch towit. One horse worth fifteen dollars one plough worth two dollars and a half, on hoe worth fifty cents one axe worth one dollar twenty five cents – By occupation he is a farmer, is about fifty nine years of age is infirm and unable to do much manual labour, his family consists of his wife aged about fifty, and is unable to support herself or contribute much to her sustenance – and has one child living with him a boy aged about 12 years –

That he has no other income or means of sustaining his family except what is above detailed, and that he is unable to support except assisted by his government, or private charity. July 7th 1823

Henry hisXmark Lynch

NOTES:

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists Henry Linch/ age 16/ height 5′ 8¼″/ light hair/ grey eyes/ fair complexion/ freckled/ planter/ born and residing in Cumberland County where he enlisted on 19 Mar 1781 for three years.

On 15 May 1823 in Macon County MO David Lynch declared that he had known Henry Lynch since his infancy and that he enlisted as claimed.

On 2 Mar 1829 Lynch applied to have his pension transferred to Missouri, having moved to Boone County for the following reason: "that he owned no land in Kentucky, that rents were high there That they are lower in Missouri."

The file includes a copy of a marriage record from Cumberland County stating that Henry Lynch was married to Sarah Farriss by Abner Watkins on 22 Sep 1789. On 2 June 1856 Sally Lynch of Macon County MO applied for bounty land stating that as Sally Ferrus she was married to Henry Lynch by Samuel Woodphin, a Baptist minister, and that her husband died in Macon County on 19 July 1849.