

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Levick ¹ W1299 Priscilla Levick f41DEL
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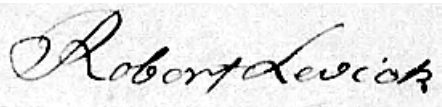
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State of New Jersey Cumberland County SS

Robert Levick of the County and State aforesaid being duly sworn deposes and declarant that in the year 1780 he believes in the month of April he was enlisted by Captain Allen McClean [Allen McLane]² at Philadelphia and Lieutenant Colonel Henry Lee's [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee's] Legion, and that he served in the Infantry of said Legion under Captain George Handy³ until October 1781 or thereabouts when he was transferred to the first Troop of horse belonging to said Legion commanded by Captain James Armstrong⁴ in which he continued to serve until the termination of the revolutionary war when he got an Honorable discharge signed by Captain Michael Rudolph,⁵ which discharge was left at the Public Office when the subscriber was obtaining the land given him for his services in the revolutionary war; and that his circumstances in life are so reduced that he needs the assistance of his country for support.

S/ Robert Levick



Subscribed and sworn to before me one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the State and County aforesaid this 28th day of March 1818.

S/ James D Westcott

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Wilmington Coll^{ts} Office District of Delaware March 31, 1818

Dear Sir,

By this day's mail I received yours of the 29th instant inquiring as to Robert Levick's enlistment as a soldier in the Army raised for the Continental service. I have a perfect recollection that Robert Levick was enlisted in 1780 and that he served faithfully in the Infantry annexed to Lee's Legion [the Legion commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] which I commanded under a resolution of Congress of July 1779 and that he

¹ BLWt129-100

² BLWt1474-300

³ BLWt1061-300

⁴ [James Armstrong BLWt45-300](#)

⁵ [Michael Rudolph BWLt945-300](#)

marched with the Legion in January 1781 to the South, but I was transferred to the Army commanded by Baron Steuben near Portsmouth Virginia & had no intercourse with the Legion after this period – but it gives me satisfaction to inform Robert or those that are disposed to serve him that Captain George Handy formerly of Lee's Legion resides in Princess Anne, near Snow Hill, State of Maryland. –

I am distressed to learn that Robert is in indigent circumstances and that he has to struggle through those ungrateful times to raise a family of six young children while the mass of the people he fought to make independent suffer him to wade through the vile mire of dependence –


I feel the subject to [too] sensibly to dwell on it. I thank you for the attention you have paid to the poor soldier, such services must receive its reward in heaven if neglected on earth.

Any service I can rendered you I pray you to command it.

With sincere regards

I am your Obedient Serve

S/ A. McLane

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. McLane', written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

N. B. Present me respectfully to Levick, tell him I have no doubt but that he will receive the \$8 the law of the 18th instant provides for him. The Secretary of War has the power to grant it, he feels sensibly for the old Continental Soldier & will add to their comfort all in his power. If Congress had been made up of such men as Mr. Calhoun the men who served to the end of the war would not have been classed with those that deserted us after the first year of service or after serving but 9 months and perhaps after receiving \$300 a reward for not rendering any service.

Yours etc.

S/ A. McLane

James D. Westcott, Esqr.

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Agreeable to a Resolution of Congress bearing date the 26th of May 1783 the bearer hereof Robert Levick soldier (War) of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Lee's Legion belonging to the State of Delaware has leave of absence until called upon by proper authority to Join his Corps or is finally discharged.

Given this 26th of August 1783 in the State of Maryland

S/ Michael Rudolph

Captain Lee's Legion

Agreeable to a Resolution of Congress bearing date
 the 26th of May 1783 the bearer hereof Robert Leveck
 Soldier (War) of St. Louis Henry Lee's Legion,
 belonging to the State of Delaware has leave of
 absence until called upon by proper Authority
 to join his corps or is finally discharged
 Given this 25th of August 1783
 in the State of Maryland
 Michl. Reed
 Capt. Lee's Legion

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Schedule

State of New Jersey

Cumberland County Inferior Court of Common Pleas, of the Term of June 1820

On this 22nd day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for said County Robert Leveck [sic] laborer aged 58 years, resident in Fairfield in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: that he enlisted in April 1780 with Captain Allen McLane of Lees Legion and served in said Legion under several officers until the close of the Revolutionary War, and the Army was discharged. That he was at the Battles of Guilford [March 15, 1781], Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], Georgetown Cowpens, Reedy fork ford, and a number of Skirmishes.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule of Real & Personal Estate

Winter rye on the ground	\$18.75
Spring Rye	1.50
Oates	2.50
Wheat	9.00
	<u>\$31.75</u>

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Brought forward	\$31.75
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Cupboard	.75
2 Tables and one Stand	1.50
An old desk	1.00
Chest	1.00
4 Chairs	.50
Iron Ware	3.00
Lot of Trimpeny [?]	.50
Lot of Crockery ware	1.00
Lot in Cellar	2.50
Saythe [sic]	1.25
Plough	2.00
Axes & wedge	1.50
2 hogs	<u>6.00</u>
	\$54.25

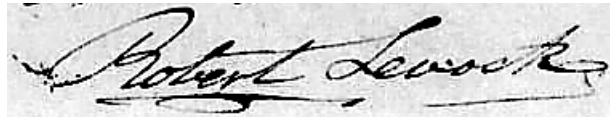
The above appraised by us by order of the Court
June 15, 1820

S/ Silas Smith
S/ Samuel Westcott

And I do solemnly swear that my family consist of myself, aged above Specified, in and infirm State of health, my wife aged 41 in good health, Daughter Lydia aged twenty-three severely afflicted with the Rheumatism, son Daniel aged 15 years healthy, Robert aged 13 years, Richard aged 8 years, Martha and Mary twins children aged 4 years and 9 months, and William aged 2 years: and I do solemnly swear that to the best of my recollection and belief my declaration on oath to obtain a pension was made on the 4th day of April 1818, and that my pension certificate is dated June 3, 1818 & numbered 8 36.

Subscribed & sworn in open Court June 22, 1820
S/ James Clark

S/ Robert Levoock



[p 7: On January 5, 1849 in Cumberland County New Jersey, Priscilla Levick of Fairfield Township in Cumberland County, aged 70 years, applied for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of Robert Levick, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him November 15, 1794; that they were married by Isaac Smith, Esquire, JP; that her husband died in Fairfield Township, Cumberland County April 18, 1846.

S/ Priscilla Levick



[p 8: Daniel Levick gave a supporting affidavit of even date in which he states he is the son of Robert and Priscilla Levick and attests to the family record which he believes to be in the handwriting of his father.

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Daniel Levick]

[p 9: Lydia Levick also gave a supporting affidavit in which she states she is the daughter of Robert and Priscilla Levick; that she is 51 years old

Lydia Levick
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[p 5: family record:

Robert Levick Senior was born in the year of our Lord 1762

Priscilla Levick Wife of Robert Levick was Born in the year of our Lord 1778

The above Written names Robert Levick and Priscilla was married in the year of our Lord 1794

Robert Levick Senior
Was borne in the year of our
Lord 1762

Priscilla Levick wife of
Robert Levick was borne
in the year of our Lord 1778
{1778}

The Above written names
Robert Levick and Priscilla
was married in the year of
Our Lord 1794

[p 4: Another family record records the following:

Elizabeth Levick Daughter of Daniel P. Levick and Hannah Ann his wife was born July 1st in the year of our Lord 1828

Dec'd April the 13th 1829 being aged 9 months and 13 day

Theophilus P. Levick Of Daniel P Levick and Hannah ann his wife was born September 7th in the year of our Lord 1829

Robart [sic] C. Levick son of the same parents was born September the 4th 1831]

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The following persons claim Military Land Warrants for having served as Soldiers during the Revolutionary War

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Robert Levick who served as a Soldier in Lieutenant Colonel Lee's Legion as appears by the final furlough signed by Captain Rudolph.

John Ryley served & was wounded in Lieutenant Colonel Lee's Legion as appears by the Certificate of Captain Heard [probably Capt. John Hord].

James Donohoo⁶ & John Robinson both of whom served during the War in Colonel Lees Legion. Dad discharges are lost & no certificate of their service from an officer has been received but as General Lee is now in Philadelphia I expect they will obtain certificates from him & transmit them to the War office on some future day.

S/ Eben Elmer

December 24, 1802

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 4th, 1818, for service as a private in Lees Legion. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum.]

⁶ FPA S35900