

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Lewis Goodin (Gooden) W2608
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Charlotta Goodin VA

State of Kentucky Barren County Sct.

On this 21st day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Judge of the Barren Circuit Court in open Court, Lewis Goodin a resident of Barren County and State of Kentucky aged seventy one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 that he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1780 with Major [John] Willis and served in the 4th General regiment of the Virginia State line under the following named officers, Major Willis is the officer who marched us to Fredericksburg — Cannon was our Captain, who took the command of our company after Captain Kirkpatrick our first Captain got his eye shot out [Abraham Kirkpatrick at Bottoms Bridge, 8 Aug 1781] he states that he enlisted as above stated for 18 months but continued in the service for two years, and left the service in the fall of 1782, he resided in the County of Culpeper and state of Virginia when he entered the service, he marched from Culpepper under Major Willis to Fredericksburg, and remained there about three weeks and was then marched to a place called Bottoms Bridges he thinks, and was put under the command of General [Baron von] Steuben, and was for some cause or other taken from under Steubens command & placed under General [Anthony] Wayne in the fourth Virginia Regiment, after having been attached to Wayne he marched under him to York, he was at the Siege of York under Wayne at the Surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], and was marched from thence under Wayne to a place called Cumberland old Courthouse and was stationed there all winter and was then was marched to a place called Ebenezer on Savannah river in the state of Georgia which place was about Twenty miles from Savannah, we remained at Ebenezer until the British evacuated Savannah [11 Jul 1782] after which the regiment was marched back to Cumberland Old Courthouse to receive their discharges, he got his discharge there, he thinks according to his best recollection of Capt'n. Kirkpatrick, he has lost his discharge and cannot now lay his hands on it, he further states that previous to his enlistment in the regular service as above stated he volunteered as a militiaman in the year 1779 under the command of Captain Rucker whose first name was Ephraim [Ephraim Rucker] and served a tour of Three months, he does not recollect what regiment they joined but that he was marched to the northward at the time the Roebuck was blown up in the Delaware River, he saw the smoke ascending & heard the report when it blew up and after serving out his time he was marched back to Culpeper County where he got his discharge, which he has also lost, his enlistment took place after this service as a volunteer, he volunteered when he was only sixteen years of age

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid Lewis hisXmark Goodin

NOTE: On 15 July 1853 Charlotta or Charlotte Goodin, 68, of Marion County KY, applied for a pension stating that she married Lewis Goodin on 25 Feb 1820 in Barren County, and he died on or about 4 Nov 1837 in Casey County KY. The file contains a copy of the certificate of the marriage of Lewis Goodin and Charlotta Edwards, signed by Rev. Ralph Petty. Her brother, Elijah Edwards of Taylor County KY, made a statement in support of her claim.