

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Lain¹ W26193

Sarah (Sally) Lain

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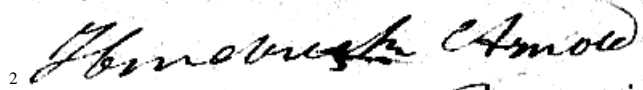
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State of Tennessee Roane County: Circuit Court September term 1832

On this 4th of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court it being a court of record before Charles F Keith [?] Judge of the Circuit Court of law & Equity for the County aforesaid now sitting Charles Lane [sic] a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged seventy-three 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit, Colonel Taylor [Francis Taylor] & Major Roberts [John Roberts], Commanding officers of the Regiment in the Company commanded by Captain John Jacobs, that he entered the service in the summer of the year 1780 & that he continued in the service for two months, that he entered the service in Albemarle County State of Virginia, that he resided in Amherst County & State aforesaid, that he served said term as a substitute in the place of Hornebush Arnold[?]² that he will was all said tour guarding Burgoyne Prisoners at the barracks in Albemarle County – that after the said tour expired he was drafted for two months and was stationed at the same place for the same term under Captain James Pamplin Lieutenant John Hosttren [?]³, Colonel Taylor & Major Roberts aforesaid that he served as orderly Sergeant in above towers [tours]. That afterwards he was drafted from the aforesaid County of Amherst for the term of six months under Captain Richard Ballinger, Thomas Jones first Lieutenant Absalom Pollard 2nd Lieutenant, that they had no other officers that he was stationed at Hoods Fort on James River Prince George County that he continued to serve the six months tower until his term of service expired that he served as Corporal in the last service. That afterwards he volunteered in said County of Amherst under Colonel John Pope & Colonel William Cavill commanding, Captain John Woodrough [John Woodruff] that he marched from said County to Thiertyts [?] old fields there joined the main Army that was commanded by General Stephens [Edward Stevens] & Colonel Meriwether [Thomas Meriwether], went from thence to Marlban Hills [Malvern Hills], there got a discharge after serving three months, that he was appointed first Sergeant in

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Captain John Jacobs' Company, that he has lost his discharge – that he served in all thirteen months – and has no documentary evidence of his service that he can prove his services by Thomas Robison , John Bowman & Joseph Lane. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

S/ Charles Lain



Thomas Robison⁴ citizen of the County of Monroe do certify that I was well acquainted with Charles Lane [sic] who has signed the above declaration that I was with the said Lane in the service of the United States that we started from Amherst County about the time mentioned in the aforesaid declaration that we went from thence to Richmond town, thence to Hoods Fort on James River under the said officers Captain Richard Balinger [sic] and officers aforesaid continued in service for six months that he was also with the said Lane on the three months Tower under Captain John Woodrough, Colonel Meriwether & Major Hardiman aforesaid – went to Morban hills there remained until the term of three months expired then was discharged.

S/ Thomas Robison, X his mark

I Joseph Lane⁵ citizen resident in the County of Roane aforesaid do certify that I was well acquainted with Charles Lane who has subscribed the above declaration that he knew him in Amherst County Virginia when he entered the service of the United States under John Jacobs Captain Colonel Taylor &c Major Roberts aforesaid stationed at Albemarle barracks, for two towers for two months each also knew that the said Charles Lane did serve a six months tower under Captain Richard Ballanger, Thomas Jones first Lieutenant & Absalom Pollit [sic] 2nd Lieutenant at Hoods Fort on James River that said Charles Lane served out his 6 months tower was also with the said Lane in the 3 months tower under officers as mentioned in the declaration aforesaid and that he knows that the said Charles Lane did serve the term of 13 months as he has stated in his declaration.

S/ Joseph Lane, X his mark

I John Boman [sic]⁶ Citizen of Roane County do certify that I was acquainted with Charles Lane when he was in the revolutionary service that the said Lane did serve to my knowledge a three months tower under Captain Woodrough & Colonel Pope & Colonel Cavil at Shirley's old field and at Madbon Hills as he has stated above in his declaration and believed that the said Charles did serve the balance of the time as stated in his declaration.

S/ John Boman, X his mark

[p 2: On February 1, 1855 in Bradley County Tennessee, Sarah Lain, 78, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Charles Lain, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in Cocke County Tennessee January 8, 1801; that her husband died November 6, 1843; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

⁴ Sic [Thomas Robertson S4157](#)

⁵ Sic Joseph Lain or Lane FPA W1783

⁶ I think there is a possibility this man is the same of [John Bowman W21](#) who claimed service as a Continental soldier and was discharged after 3 years service and may have been called on to serve in the militia after his discharge from the regular service.

[p 18: The widow filed for her bounty land entitlement on April 6, 1855 in Bradley County Tennessee stating that her maiden name was Sally Leister; that her husband died in Bradley County Tennessee November 6, 1843. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p 17: copy of a marriage bond issued to Charles Lain and David Profitt dated January 6, 1801 and issued in Cocke County Tennessee conditioned upon the marriage of said Charles Lain to Sally Leister.]

[Facts in file: The veteran and his wife had 6 children; following the American Civil War in 1865, the widow filed additional documents stating she was 92 years old at that time still living in Bradley County Tennessee with her daughter Mrs. Burton with whom she had lived since 1861. Samuel Burton, Levine year Burton, Charles L Burton and Margaret I or J Burton were all witnesses for the widow but their relationship to her is not explicitly stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$52 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 3 months, as a Corporal for 6 months and as a Sergeant for 4 months in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]