

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Lewis W3097

Sarah Lewis

f46VA

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Fayette County Pennsylvania: SS

Be it remembered that on the 13th day of June 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Fayette Pennsylvania personally appeared Lewis Lewis aged 63 years, resident of Fayette County 21 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision allowed by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818; That he enlisted in the spring of 1776 into the service of the United States into Captain Abraham Shepards [Abraham Shepherd's?] Company Colonel Moses Rollins [Moses Rawlings?]¹ Regiment Virginia Line, for the term of three years: – That after serving nearly a year he was taken prisoner at Fort Washington near New York and remained a prisoner about nine months, part of the time on board that about three months before this enlistment was out, he again enlisted to serve during the war under the same Captain & same Colonel but soon after these officers resigned, and were superseded by Colonel Parker [Richard Parker]² & Captain Jones. That Colonel Parker got killed at the siege of Charlestown [Charleston, South Carolina, surrendered May 12, 1780], where we were all taken prisoners, under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln]. After the remaining six months a prisoner he was Exchanged – and served under Captain Stupperfield [Stubblefield?], Colo. Hopkins [perhaps Samuel Hopkins] Regiment – I was honorably discharged at Philadelphia after the taking of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] – That he has no pensions heretofore allowed him by the laws of the US to his knowledge and if he has he does hereby for & in consideration of the pension approved by the late Act of Congress, fully & Entirely relinquish the same unto the United States.

That from his reduced Circumstances in life he needs the assistance of his Country for support. Sworn & subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ James Finley

S/ Lewis Lewis, X his mark

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Fayette County State of Pennsylvania: SS

Personally came before me one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County of Fayette James Barnes an old revolutionary soldier and being sworn doth depose and say that he is well acquainted with Lewis Lewis and well knows that he enlisted in 1776 in the service of the U S into Captain Abraham Shepherd's Company Rollins Regiment for the term of 3 years in the Virginia line on the Continental establishment; and served in said Corps for 3 years except the

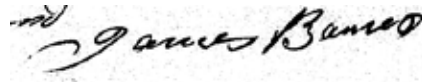
¹ Moses Rawlings was an officer in the Maryland Continental Line and was taken prisoner at Fort Washington.

² Died May 8, 1780 from wounds suffered during the siege of Charleston.

time he was taken prisoner – I belonged to the same Regiment & well knew [him] in the service and well know he was on the Virginia Rool [Roll].

Sworn & subscribed the 4th day of February 1819 before me Jonathan Rowland

S/ James Barnes³



Fayette County Pennsylvania SS 14th Judicial district of the court of Common Pleas – On the 4th day of September 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said district Lewis Lewis aged about 65 years resident in this County about 22 years who first being sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that I served in the revolutionary war as follows in Captain Shepherd's Company Colonel Rollins Regiment of Riflemen Virginia line – 3 years – then I enlisted a 2nd time for and during the war into Jones Company Colonel Parker's Regiment Virginia line and served during the war & was discharged at Petersburg Virginia in 1782 & believes that I have received a pension by virtue of a certificate No. 6759 or 47 59 – the first figure made the us & dated February 10th 1819 first payment to be made on the 4th of March 1819, 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

Lewis Lewis, X his mark

A list of property of Lewis Lewis

A log house of one room unfurnished and a garden of ¼ acre for which he gave \$95 now mortgaged for 40 – 2 years

	\$50.00
1 Keulr [?]	3.00
1 bake [?] iron	1.00
½ gallon pot	.33
1 skillet	.37 ½
Dutch oven	1.00
1 qt rentr [?]	.50
	<u>\$56.20 ½</u>
carried over	\$56.20 ½
½ Dozen split bottom chairs	2.00
2 old tables	1.25
Broken looking-glass	.12 ½
Tea pot no lid	.18
1 Set tea cups & saucers	.37 ½
1 Dozen Plates	.50
3 knives and forks	.75
9 tins	.50
Pewter Plates	1.25
1 Doz. Pewter Spoons	.50
Basket	.37 ½
	<u>.37 ½</u>

³ FPA S39968 [only claimed service in the Maryland line under Col. Moses Rawlings]

\$63.01

66 lbs iron of iron wire furnished and a garden of $\frac{1}{4}$ acre for which
 he gave \$95 now mortgage for 40 - 2 years to \$50.00
 1 Ketch 3.00
 1 bath iron 1.00
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Gallon pot33
 1 Skillet 37 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Dutch oven 1.00
 2 qt. Ketch50

 Canard oven \$56.20 $\frac{1}{2}$
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dozen split brass chains 2.00
 2 old tables 1.25
 Broken looking-glass12 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Tea pot no lid18
 1 set tea cups & saucers37 $\frac{1}{2}$
 1 Dozen Plates50
 3 Knives and Forks75
 9 Tins50
 Peeler Plates 1.25
 1 Doz Peeler Spoons50
 Basket37 $\frac{1}{2}$

 \$63.01

[p 5: On February 5, 1839 in Fayette County Pennsylvania, Sarah Lewis, a resident of Union Town in the County of Fayette, age 79, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act as the widow of Lewis Lewis, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was married to him sometime in the year 1785 precise day and month not recollected; that her husband died March 8, 1829; she signed her application with her mark.]

[p 7: On February 15, 1839, the widow appeared in court again in Fayette County Pennsylvania and submitted a leaf from her family Bible containing the original entry of the dates of her children's ages made by her husband Lewis Lewis in which her oldest child William Lewis is shown his having been born October first, 1786.]

[p 9: family register:

Jacob Sunnbybaker was born in the year of our Lord 1761 September the first day
 William Lewis was born October the first in the year of our Lord 1786
 Elizabeth Lewis was born June the 16th day in the year while Lord 1791
 Sarah Lewis was born November 30 in the year of our Lord 1799
 Mary Lewis was born September 16th day in the year of our Lord 1802
 Lewis Lewis was born April 24th in the year of our Lord 1804
 Richard Lewis was born in the year [indecipherable words] 23, 1810]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 13, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum.]