

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joel Lowther<sup>1</sup> W4269

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[f p. 13]

State of Ohio Athens County SS

On this 18th day of June 1818 before me Robert Linree, one of the Associate Judges of the court of Common Pleas for said County personally appeared Joel Louthur [sic] the Resident of Alexander and said County aged 62 years, who being by me duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress entitled "And Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War –["]

That he the said Lowther in the spring of 1779 enlisted in Culpeper County for the term of eighteen months in the company commanded by Captain William McCleneham [William McClanahan] of Colonel \_\_ Scott's Regiment Virginia Line & marched to Fredericksburg, & from thence to James town, where he continued till near the time for which he engaged expired, when on account of scarcity of provisions & sickness, he with the rest of the company were, by a verbal order discharged with honor, & from thence returned home –

And the said Lowther further declares on oath that in the spring of 1780 he enlisted in Harrison County for the term of 18 months into the company commanded by Captain William Lowther & remained there in said Harrison County at Fort Arnold, during & into the end of said term – that during the whole of both terms he faithfully served in the line of his duty against the common enemy that at the end of his last term but is at Fort Arnold he received a written honorable discharge from his Commander, which has been long since, by time & lost – that he has not now, nor is it in his power to obtain any evidence of his service or discharge, and that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support.

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year above written.

S. Robt. Linree, Associate Judge

[f p. 48]

Wood County Virginia 16th of March 1819

This day William Radclif [William Radcliff?] personally appeared before me one of the Commonwealth's justices for said County and after being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth & saith that he was well acquainted with Joel Lowther before and at the commencement of the revolutionary war with Great Britain, that the said Joel Lowther enlisted as a private soldier under Captain William Lowther in the 3rd Virginia Regiment for the Term [of] 18 months & that the said Lowther served his full term of his enlistment, as they were living

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt26844-160-55

on the West fork of Monongahela River then Monongahela County but now Harrison County.  
Sworn & subscribed to before me the day & date above written.

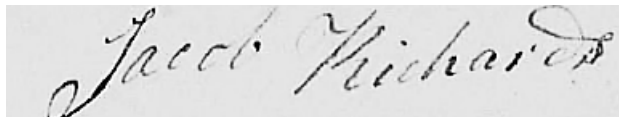
S/ William Radclif, X his mark

[f p. 46—transcribed exactly as written including spelling]

State of Ohio Athins County: SS

Parsonal appeard before me one of the Justices of the peas for Alexander townsip and Athins Jajacob Ritchards [Jacob Richards]<sup>2</sup> who being Duly qualified acording to Law Deposeth and Saith that Joel Lowther was an in Listed Soulger [Soldier] for the turn [term] of Eighteen months in the Sarvice of the United States on the Continental establishmont in the Revolutionary war against Gr<sup>e</sup>ate Britain and Sarved twelve months of the time and Bieng messmate; and then was trnasfared into Diffrant Compenyse; in genl. Scotts Brigade & Col; Burfords [Abraham Buford's] Regemont; in Captain Adem Wallaces Company in the Virgene Line & the Said Captin Wallace was killed at Bufords Defeat.

S/ Jacob Richards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacob Richards". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with some flourishes.

Sworn and subserbed before me this twentieth Day of Novmber 1819

S/ Jesse Camp, JP

District of Ohio Athens County: SS: On this 26 day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County and district aforesaid Jacob Lowther [sic] aged 64 years who as appears to this Court made his declaration of services as a private soldier on the Continental establishment in the Revolutionary War, before Robert Linree Esquire one of the Associate Judges of this Court, on the 18th of June 1818, who having been duly sworn according to law deposes and declares that the services by him rendered in the Revolutionary War, as in his said declaration above referred to are stated, were performed in the Company of Adam Wallis [Adam Wallace] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Bluford [Abraham Buford] of the State of Virginia.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

Land or real estate I have none. Personal property one horse 16 years old, one do 13 years old, one colt 2 months old, 2 cows, 3 sheep, two full grown hogs, 10 small hogs, one ax, one hoe, one plow, 2 old chairs, 3 earthen plates, 1 pot iron, one iron kettle both broken, one bake kettle, 2 iron spoons, one knife 1 fork.

My occupation was formally that of a Blacksmith, but I have long since lost all my tools,

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<sup>2</sup> FPA S40334 transcribed and posted in this database 6/23/12.

and am now unable to work except a little now and then as a laborer on the land. My family consists of a wife 33 years old who is very weakly and 4 children the oldest of whom is a daughter Deidamia 13 years old healthy, but very small of her age, Elias 7 years old smart an active, Mary 5 years old & Jackson 2 years old both healthy.

S/ Joel Lowther

Sworn to and subscribed in open court this 26 day of October A.D. 1820.

S/ H Bartlett, Clerk [who certifies that the court found the above property to be worth \$85]

[p. f. 15: On December 12, 1853 in Athens County of Ohio, Nancy Lowther, 66 [as February 1854], a resident of Athens Township in the County of Athens, state of Ohio, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Joel Lowther a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that her husband died November 12, 1853 in Rutland Township Meigs County Ohio aged 98 as she verily believes; that she married him on December \_\_, 1812; that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p. 8: On April 9, 1855 in Putnam County Illinois, Nancy Lowther, 67, filed an application for her bounty land entitlement stating that she is the widow of Joel Lowther, a revolutionary war pensioner; that her husband died near Rutland, Meigs County, Ohio November 12, 1853; that she is a pensioner of the United States as the widow of a veteran of the revolution; that she married her husband she thinks in the fall of 1812 and Athens County Ohio; they were married by Caleb Marriott, Esquire; her name prior to her marriage was Nancy Douglass. She signed her application with her mark]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 18, 1818, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.