

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Lineweaver W5325 Margaret Lineweaver f29VA
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State of Virginia County of Loudoun: SS

On this the 19th day of April 1833 personally appeared before me George W Shawen a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Jacob Lineweaver a resident of the County of Shenandoah, State of Virginia, aged seventy 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 the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, and served as herein stated –

He served as a Substitute for John Axeline, who was drafted in this (Loudoun County Virginia) for the term of three months under Captain Adam Vincel and Lieutenant Bell in the Regiment of Virginia militia commanded by Colonel Dark [William Darke] some time (according to the best of his recollection) in the month of June 1780, under this engagement he marched through Fredericksburg, Richmond, Petersburg and within less than a mile of Norfolk, and served out his Tour in that section of Country and received a written discharge (to the best of recollection) from Colonel Dark while encamped near Petersburg which discharge he has lost – He does not recollect as to the precise time of his discharge but knows that he returned to Loudoun immediately after his discharged and reached home in October of the same year making the whole time he was out this Tour not less than four months.

He again in June 1781 entered the service; being drafted under Captain William George in the Regiment of Virginia Militia then commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Meriwether [probably Thomas Meriwether] for the term of three months and marched through the same section of Country as under the first engagement, and served out his Tour in the same quarter, and was discharged while encamped near Williamsburg he thinks by Colonel Meriwether, which discharge he has lost, this discharge according to the best of his recollection he received sometime in October 1781. He knows that he did not reach home until sometime in November of that year, and was not out less than four months under each engagement, making the whole time he was out under both engagements not less than eight months – for which service he claims a Pension – He was never in service with any of the Regular Troops and therefore cannot name any of the Regular Officers, or say anything in relation to the Continental Corps – He was never engaged in any Battles or Skirmishes –

He was born in Pennsylvania (the County he cannot name) but moved with his parents while he was a young infant, in Frederick County Maryland, where he continued until he was

about 11 years of age and again moved with his parents to this (Loudoun County Virginia) where he resided until the year 1790, when he moved to Shenandoah County Virginia where he has lived ever since, and where he now lives. According to the record of his age made (by his father) in Pennsylvania which is now in his Possession, he was born on the 17th day of July 1763. He knows of no person whose testimony he can get in the County he now resides in to prove his services, and he cannot get the witnesses he now has to the court of this County and therefore makes application out of Court, before a Justice of the Peace. He himself cannot get to the court of Loudoun without great inconvenience and expense.

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.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thomas R Saunders

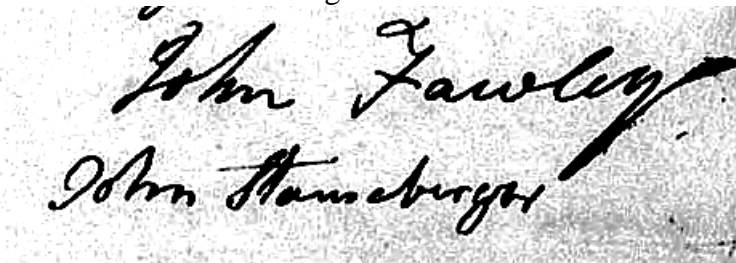
S/ Jacob Lineweaver, X his mark

We John Stouseberger¹ and John Fawley residing in the County of Loudoun, State of Virginia, do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Jacob Lineweaver, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, and that we believe him to be 70 years of age, and that we know that he served the last Tour mentioned in the declaration (we ourselves having served with him under that engagement) and that we believe and feel assured that he served the first Tour under Captain Vincel, and that the statement he has made in the above declaration is correct and true.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Fawley

S/ John Stouseberger

A photograph of two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature is 'John Fawley' and the bottom signature is 'John Stouseberger'. The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured surface.

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State of Virginia County of Loudoun: SS

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Jacob Lineweaver, who being first duly sworn, deposed and saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service: but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below as a private in the Revolutionary War: – For eight months he served as a private as aforesaid under two different engagements and served four months under each engagement as stated in the declaration, that the whole of this time eight months, he served with and in body to Corps called into service by competent authority: that he was either in the field or Garrison, and that for the time during which this service was performed, he was not engaged in any civil pursuit – For which service he claims a pension. The Applicant further deposed and saith, in answer to the interrogatories, that he was born in Pennsylvania (the County he does not know, having moved from the state when too young to recollect) in the year 1763. He has a record of his age which is now at his residence in Shenandoah County, Virginia, – He was living

¹ Probably the same man as [John Stouseberger W6207](#)

in Loudoun County Virginia when called into service, and continued to live there after the revolutionary War until the year 1790, when he moved to the County of Shenandoah Virginia, where he has lived ever since, and where he now lives. He was first called into service as a substitute for John Axeline, and after serving out the term as stated in the declaration – the following year, he was drafted and served as is above stated in the declaration. He was never in service with any of the regular troops and consequently cannot name any of the regular Officers, or say anything in relation to the Continental Regiments nor can he say anything in relation to the Militia Regiments save what he has already stated in the declaration. The general circumstances of his services are as stated in the declaration. He did received 2 discharges and has lost them as also stated in the declaration, he believes he received his first discharge from Colonel Dark and his 2nd from Colonel Meriwether. Given under him my hand and seal this 12th day of June 1833

S/ Geo. W. Shawen, JP

[p 11: On May 11, 1839 in Shenandoah County Virginia, Margaret Lineweaver, 73, filed for her pension as the widow of Jacob Lineweaver, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him May 6, 1792; that he died August 30, 1834 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.

[p 8: On May 11, 1839 in Shenandoah County Virginia, Mary Coffman, 65, gave testimony that she was well acquainted with Jacob Lineweaver and Margaret Pickle prior to their marriage; that she was present at their marriage in May 1792 in Shenandoah County Virginia. p. 9: Philip Borden, 67, gave identical testimony to that given by Mary Coffman.]

[p 10: On May 11, 1839 in Shenandoah County Virginia, James Allen gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Jacob and Margaret Lineweaver; that Jacob Lineweaver died August 30, 1834 in the home of William C Lucket in Loudoun County Virginia.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount