

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edmund (Edmond) Lockett W8064 Sally Lockett

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State of Virginia Chesterfield County to wit:

On this fourteenth day of August, A.D., 1832, personally appeared in open court, before the County Court of Chesterfield County, now sitting, Edmund Lockett Senior, a resident of said County of Chesterfield and State of Virginia, aged Seventy-one years last June, 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, entitled – "An act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution."

I entered the service sometime in October 1780, that I volunteered as a private in a company of militia commanded by Captain George Markham, James Moody 1st Lieutenant, William Hill 2nd Lieutenant and John Anderson Ensign. The Regiment commanded by Colonel James Monroe – Mercer Lieutenant Colonel, and Robert Goode Major of said Regiment, the Troops marched in various directions in the lower part of Virginia, were at Smithfield, Mackey's Mills, and after serving a tour of about two months, marched up to Petersburg and there were discharged. Sometime early in January 1781 about the time Arnold [Benedict Arnold] visited, plundered & burnt Richmond, I was again called out into the United States service under the command of David Patterson Captain the Subalterns not recollected Colonel Bernard Markham or Colonel Robert Goode commanding the detachment where we continued in service for a considerable time pursuing the enemy as they passed down the River, we crossed from Charles City James River at Westover & passed through Prince George & some of the lower counties in which we remained some considerable time & then were discharged in the County of Chesterfield, but how long I continued in service I cannot recollect, so soon as it was ascertained that the British were moving up the River again we were called out again and went & joined the Main Army while they lay at Wilton, I remained there several days, the company I was attached [to], the officers names I do not recollect but a certain Major Holt commanded in the Battalion to which I was attached, Colonel Robert Goode then obtained a detachment, to go over to Chesterfield to reconnoiter there in which detachment I was attached under the command of a certain Captain Royal, we were marched backwards & forwards about Osbornes & in the neighborhood of Petersburg until after the battle of Petersburg [April 25, 1781] we were then marched about from place to place between Manchester & Petersburg until we encamped at a

place called andsberrias [?]¹ at which Tarlton's [Banastre Tarleton's] Core [Corps] of horse surprise the & took several of them prisoners those that escaped were ordered to join the main Army which I accordingly did a few days thereafter where we were encamped on Allen's Creek in the County of Hanover, where I continued with the main Army through the several Counties to wit (I believe Spotsylvania, Culpeper & Fauquier) until the Army met General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] at which time I was discharged after Joining the Main Army I was attached to the company of Captain Wight or Right [probably Wright] from Amelia County, the Subalterns were Bartlett Elam & Isham Cheatham from Chesterfield, I received no written discharge for any tower [tour] that I served, the last time I was discharged it was near the last of June 1781, as well as I this distant time can recollect. I resided in the County of Chesterfield at the time I entered the service & have resided there ever since, I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state, I the said Edmund Lockett do also declare (that from the register my father made of my birth on the back of my Indentures) I was born the 3rd day of June 1761 (which register I now have at home). Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Edm'd Lockett



[Charles Forsee, a clergyman, Edward Bass Senior and William Goode Senior gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Virginia Chesterfield County to wit:

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Chesterfield and State of Virginia, Edmund Lockett who being duly sworn made the following statement in amendment of the Declaration made by him on the 14 August 1832, for a pension under the Act of Congress of June 7, 1832:

That from old age and sickness and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service as a soldier of the Revolution, but according to the best of his recollection he served, as a private in the militia in the Revolutionary War, not less than 6 months; and for which service he claims a pension: that from the best information and evidence he has, he was born in the County of Chesterfield and State of Virginia the 3rd of June 1761: his father and mother had, as he always understood, been many years before residents of this County; and this declarant has been ever since his first recollection, an inhabitant of said County, and still is: he has no register of his age except a memorandum mentioned in his declaration, made by his father on the back of his Indentures of Apprenticeship: he does not remember that he ever received a discharge in writing, if he did he has not preserved it: That among the regular officers who were with the troops where he served, he remembers [paper damaged and text missing] General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] he thinks, Colonels Monroe and Faulkner in Major Holt, he does not remember the particular regiments he served with by

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andsberrias [pure guess on my part but this MIGHT be referring to Ludsbury, Virginia, though I can find no other reference to any engagement at that location.]

their numbers, as he was not a great deal in Camp, but volunteered to go on reconnoitering parties, whenever he had an opportunity: that the reputation of his service is known, he believes, to a great many persons in this County and others, but he supposes it is not necessary to refer to any except those whose affidavits are annexed hereto and to his original declaration: that there are several living witnesses who served with him during the war, some of whose affidavits are subjoined: that he will refer to the Honorable Benjamin W Leigh [Benjamin Watkins Leigh] of the Senate and William S. Archer of the House of Representatives of the United States; and he believes he may also referred to the Honorable John Tyler of the Senate, for his character for veracity and respectability.

Subscribed and sworn to May 3, 1834

S/ Edm'd Lockett

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I William Hill² a resident of the County of Chesterfield and State of Virginia aged 74 years certify that I am well acquainted with Captain Edmund Lockett who has made the foregoing statement, and was acquainted with him many years before the Revolution, having been schooled fellows, and recollects perfectly that the said lockett served together with me, a tour in the militia during the Revolution, in Captain Haskins's or Markham's company, and was employed principally the low Petersburg in the neighborhood of McKay's Mills [Mackey's Mills], Cabin Point &c and was discharged after a service of about 3 months. From my acquaintance with Captain lockett and my knowledge of the circumstances of the Country and especially this part of it, I have no doubt that he served other tours during the war, which lasted 2 or 3 years afterwards; but I am uncertain whether we were afterwards in the same company. I believe the said little younger than myself, perhaps about a year.

Subscribed and sworn to May 3, 1834

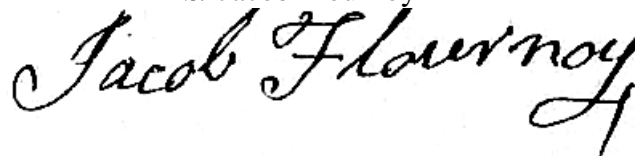
S/ Wm Hill, X his mark

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I Jacob Flournoy³ a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged upwards of 73 years certify that I am well acquainted with Edmund lock it who has made the foregoing statement in have been ever since the Revolutionary War; and from many my new circumstances which the said lockett has mentioned to me, I have no doubt that he served a tour in the year 1781 in the spring of that year of about 3 months, as well as I recollect, when we were chiefly employed in Chesterfield County in the neighborhood of Petersburg, Osbornes, Ludberry's &c, we were afterwards carried over into Goochland and then attached to Captain Knights company of Amelia, now Nottoway, marched over to Louisa County, and were discharged in that part of the Country; but I do not recollect in what County.

Subscribed and sworn to May 3, 1834

S/ Jacob Flournoy

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacob Flournoy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Jacob Flournoy".

² FPA S5529

³ [Jacob Flournoy S8492](#)

[p 17: On October 27, 1840 in Chesterfield County Virginia, Sally Lockett filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Edmund Lockett a revolutionary war pensioner; that her maiden name was Sallie Bryant; that she married her husband prior to the first day of January 1794 to wit on December 8, 1785; that her husband died June 24, 1834 and that she remains his widow.]

[p 19: Extract of the will of Edmund Lockett probated July 14th, 1834 in Chesterfield County Virginia in which he makes reference to his wife being the daughter of James Bryant of Powhatan County; he also makes reference to slaves named Matt, Will and David which he wishes to be among the property received by his wife.]

[p 9: Certificate of the Powhatan County Virginia clerk of court indicating that records in his office show that Edmund Lockett was married to Salley Bryant December 17, 1785.]

[p 4: Testimony given on October 27, 1840 by Richard W Flourney of Chesterfield County that he purchased the Bible containing the family record of Edmund Lockett which contains the following entries:

"Edmund Lockett & Salley Bryant was married on the 8th of December 1785"

"Edmund Lockett son of Richard Lockett and Mary his wife was born June the 3rd 1761."

"Sarah Bryant daughter of James and Jane Bryant was born November the 5th, 1762."

"Edmund Lockett died on the 24th of June 1834."]

[p 56: On February 9, 1844 in Chesterfield County Virginia, the widow filed another document renewing her pension. This document she signed as follows:



Sally Lockett]

[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.]