

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Lanter (Lunter) <sup>1</sup> W9114  
Transcribed by Will Graves

Hannah Lanter f29VA  
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State of Kentucky County of Bourbon

On this day Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Hannah Lanter a resident of the County of Bourbon State of Kentucky aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and Pensions to certain Widows. That she is the widow of the late Peter Lanter who was a Soldier in the Virginia line during the war of the Revolution and she has been informed by him and others that he was both in the regular and Militia service and was in the service during the said war at least five years she well recollects of seeing his discharge since his death among his old papers but does not recollect by whom it was signed it has been since lost or destroyed as it was considered of no value. She has often heard him speak of the officers under whom he served but at this great length of time she has forgotten their names but she is under the impression he served under Captain Joseph Spencer he was living in Orange County Virginia at the time he entered the service and also at the time our marriage took place she refers to the revolutionary records for evidence of the service of her husband the aforesaid Peter Lanter and she further declares that to the best of her recollection she was married to the said Peter Lanter in the Summer of 1785 she has no family record and she is informed and believes that there is no record of as ancient date as her marriage in the County where she was married but well knows that her oldest daughter is upwards of 50 years of age and that she was married to the afford Peter Lanter sometime prior to her birth and her husband the aforesaid Peter Lanter died on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1811 and she has remained a widow ever since his death that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated and she prays that the best evidence that can be produced in her case may be received and a Pension granted to her a [word too faint to discern] Widow of a soldier of the revolution. Given from under my hand this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 1839

S/ Hannah Lanter, X her mark

I Joanna Huffman state that I am a daughter of Peter & Hannah Lanter and believe that I was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1787 & believe that to be the genuine family record of my age, and that my Father & Mother was married previous to my birth, I have examined the declaration made by my Mother and believe it contains the truth, I have often heard my Father the said Peter

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Lanter speak of his services of the Revolution, as stated by her, and know that he was reputed & generally believed by his neighbors to have been a Soldier of the Revolution, & that he died at the time stated by her; she has remained a widow ever since his death. Given under my hand this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1839

S/ Joanna Huffman, X her mark

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I Bartlett Bennett a Minister of the Gospel formerly of Capbell [sic] County but now of Scott County Kentucky do Certify that I was well acquainted with the late Peter Lanter and his wife and resided a neighbor to them in Orange County State of Virginia for many years and do well know that they were living together as man and wife in 1786 at which time I became acquainted with them I do not recollect her given name but knows she was a daughter of John Webb and the said Peter Lanter was reputed and generally believed in the neighborhood where he resided to have been a Soldier of the Revolution in which opinion I do most truly concur him and his wife immigrated to Kentucky and I have been informed and believe that he has been dead many years and his widow now resides in Bourbon County State of Kentucky

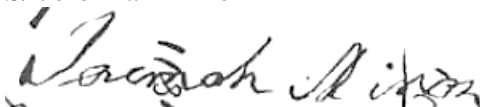
S/ Bartlett Bennet



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I Jeremiah Minor<sup>2</sup> of Scott County and State of Kentucky state that I was well acquainted with the Late P year Lanter during the war of the Revolution and well know that he was a Private Soldier in Captain Joseph Spencer's Company and he thinks in the Regiment of Colonel Scott or Woodford he is not certain which and was in the service at least 5 years on the Virginia Continental line and some short time after the war he was married to Hannah Webb and to the best of my recollection it was in the fall of the year 1785 and know that they were married in Orange County State of Virginia. I was well acquainted with them both before and after their marriage and they lived together as man and wife for many years and afterwards moved to Bourbon County and State of Kentucky and I have long since been informed of his death and believe his widow is now alive and resides in Bourbon County Kentucky.

S/ Jeremiah Minor



[attested in Scott County Kentucky August 11, 1838]

[p 5: On May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1856 in Grant County Kentucky, the widow, then giving her age as 90, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Peter Lunter [sic], a revolutionary soldier; in this document she claims that she was married to Peter Lunter by Aaron Bleacher,<sup>3</sup> a minister of the gospel; that her name prior to her marriage was Hannah Webb; that her husband died in Garrard County Kentucky August 14, 1811. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836.]

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<sup>2</sup> [Jeremiah Minor S2843](#)

<sup>3</sup> Thomas Lyon, a relative of the veteran, suggests that this man's name was "Aaron Bledsoe."

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Addendum to Peter Lanter W9114

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 19 Aug 2020.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Lauter, Peter.]

Sergant please to Deliver Mr Charles Porter A warrant that is due to me as an Eighteen Month Soldier  
given Under my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> Ja'y 178[?]  
Test/ William Pannill

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peter Lanter". The ink is dark and the signature is written on a light-colored background.

NOTE: This may be the soldier listed as Peter Lantorn on the size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates transcribed at <http://revwarapps.org/b81.pdf>. This Peter Lantorn was drafted to serve for 18 months on 29 March 1781 and was described as 18 years old, 5 feet 9 inches tall, with dark hair, gray eyes, and dark complexion. He was a planter born and residing in Orange County.