

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lochman (Lockman) [Loehmann] S45901

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Continental (SC)      Lochman, John

S45901

B.L.Wt.1225-300 Surg'n Mate

Issued Mar. 2, 1791

Also recorded as above  
under B. L. Wt. 2582.

No papers<sup>1</sup>

Assistant Surgeon Continental Hospital Southern Department Sept. 1776 to 1782

District of Pennsylvania SS}

On this twenty Seventh day of March A.D. 1818 before me Richard Peters Judge of the District Court of the United States in and for the Pennsylvania District personally appeared John Lochman at present residing in the Alms House [almshouse] of the City and County of Philadelphia who being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, deposes and declares that during the War of the Revolution he served in the Continental Army in the South Carolina Line thereof, in the Capacity of an Assistant Surgeon; that he received his Commission as such in the month of September 1776 and served therein during six years or thereabouts until discharged on the reduction of the Army in the year 1782, a few months before the conclusion of Peace between the United States and Great Britain. That in the course of such service and in the performance of the duties arising out of it he incurred diseases and disabilities which have not ceased to afflict him during a long course of years, and by incapacitating him for any active exertions have reduced him to circumstances of indigence and distress and rendered him for a long time past and at present "in need of assistance from his Country for support." And this Deponent further declares that he does not at present received and never has received or been allowed any pension by the laws of the United States or of any State thereof.

S/ John Lochman



<sup>1</sup> The reason there are no surviving papers relating to this bounty land claim is that the offices of the War Department along with the papers filed there were destroyed by fire in 1800 and all pension and bounty land records predating that fire were destroyed. Further, pension and bounty land papers generated between the fire of 1800 and 1814 were lost when the British burned Washington DC on August 14, 1814.

Sworn and subscribed at Philadelphia on the Day & year aforesaid before me  
S/ Richard peters

South Carolina Charleston

Dr. Tucker Harris, Dr. William S. Stevens, Dr. John E. Poyas and Simeon Theus Esquire being duly sworn depose That they were acquainted with John Lochman during the War of the Revolution. That he the said John Lochman was attached to the Continental Hospital for the Southern department under the Directorship of Doctor David Oliphant. And the said Tucker Harris, William S. Stevens and John E. Poyas more particularly depose that the said John Lochman served in the aforesaid Department as assistant Apothecary. That they remember him in the said service in 1779 & the said W. S. Stevens and John E. Poyas know that he continued in it to the End of the War. The said W. S. Stevens, John E. Poyas and Simeon Theus further depose that the said John Lochman after the War was a Member of the Society of Cincinnati.

S/ John E. Poyas<sup>2</sup>

S/ W. S. Stevens<sup>3</sup>

S/ Tucker Harris, M. D.

S/ Simeon Theus, Capt.<sup>4</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Regt. S.C.

The image shows four handwritten signatures arranged vertically. From top to bottom: 1. "John E. Poyas" - written in cursive script. 2. "W. S. Stevens" - also in cursive script. 3. "Tucker Harris, M.D." - in a slightly larger, more formal script. 4. "Simeon Theus Capt." - in cursive script. Below these signatures, there is a faint, partially visible signature that appears to be "1<sup>st</sup> Regt. S.C."

District of South Carolina

I John Drayton, District Judge of the District of South Carolina to hereby certify, to all to whom it may concern,

That on this 7th day of January A.D. 1818, the above John E. Poyas, W. S. Stephens [sic], Tucker Harris, M.D., Simeon Theus, Captain 1st Regt. S. C. appeared before me at Charleston, each of them signing their names severally in my presence as above: and each of them also, swearing to the truth of the Affidavit on the first page of these Presents—

S/ John Drayton South Carolina Audited

[Veteran was pension at the rate of \$20 per month commencing March 27, 1818.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>5</sup> relating to John Lochmann [Loeman] pp 12  
Audited Account No. 4628

<sup>2</sup> [John Ernest Poyas, Jr. SC25](#)

<sup>3</sup> [William Smith Stevens BLWt2114-300](#)

<sup>4</sup> [Simeon Theus BLWt2227-300](#)

<sup>5</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

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To the Honorable John Lloyd Esquire and the rest of the Honorable the Senate  
 The Memorial of John Lochman late Junior Surgeon in the Hospital Department of this  
 State  
 humbly Sheweth

That by a resolve of the United States in Congress assembled, the Officers of the late American Army were entitled to half pay during life; that afterwards that August Body, found it expedient to commute the same, and instead thereof to furnish them with five years full pay.

That for reasons unknown to your Memorialist, the Junior Surgeons, were not included in the Resolve but after having devoted to the Service, the same time that others of superior rank did, they were discharged from the Army of the United States, without anything in hand to provide for their future support. That the other Junior Surgeons sent a Petition to your Honorable House praying for such relief as might appear necessary men on the 21<sup>st</sup> February 1785 the House, in consideration of the Justice due to them, were pleased to resolve that commutation should be allowed them.

That your Memorialist is a Foreigner very little acquainted with the English Language and having but small acquaintance with others of the same Grade, so that the justice and Liberality which your Honorable House was pleased to extend to his Grade, was totally unknown to him, till the time expired, when his Claims ought to have been carried before the Auditor, that the Auditor does not think himself authorized now to pass his Accounts.

Your Memorialist therefore prays that your Honours will take his peculiarly hard case into consideration, and that you will not suffer his want of information, to exclude him from that which with Submission he thinks justly due to him, but that your Honours will be pleased to give such relief as the case requires.

And your Memorialist as in Duty bound will ever pray.

S/ John Lochmann

Late G. S. L. D.

Charleston February 13<sup>th</sup>, 1786

[Both the South Carolina House of representatives and Senate rule favorably on the veteran's petition.]

[p 9: Printed form of Indent No. 698 Book C dated May 10, 1786 "delivered to Mr. James Neilsen of Charleston this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Two Hundred and Ninety Nine Pounds and Seven Pence farthing Sterling being for balance of Pay & Rations due to John Lochman & Assigned over by him the 3 July 1784 to the said James Nielsen...."]

[p 10: Reverse of the above Indent]

[p 11: Printed form of Indent No. 327 Book Z dated June 1, 1787 "delivered to Doctr. John Loeman [sic] this our INDENTED CERTIFICATE, for the Sum of Forty two pounds Sterling

being so much [undeciphered abbreviation]<sup>6</sup> by Edward Fox Esquire Commissioner for the Hospital Department per Certificate from the Auditor General of this date.”]

[p 12: reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, the following endorsement the signature on which to me looks like that of the veteran whose documents are transcribed above but I am not a handwriting expert:

I assigne over all my Rite and Title to the Within Indent both Princple and Intrest that is Due or may hearafter Become Due you to Thomas Cochran or to his heirs or assignes as witness my hand this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1787

S/ Jno Lochmann

Witness

S/ Thomas Pitch [?]

*I assigne over all my Rite and Title  
To the Within Indent Both Princple  
and Intrest that is Due or may  
hearafter Become Due to Thomas  
Cochran or to his heirs or assignes  
as witness my hand the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of  
June 1787*

*Witness*

*Thomas Pitch*

<sup>6</sup> *diset<sup>d</sup>* [looks like “diset<sup>d</sup>”]