Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of George Lambert: S8810

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State of Virginia}
County of Bedford} SS

On this 24th day of December 1832 personally appeared before the county court of Bedford now sitting, George Lambert, a resident of Russell parish in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, born in Albemarle County and state of Virginia on the 28th Oct. 1748 (O.S.) [Old Style, i.e. Julian Calendar] aged 84 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 - That he was commissioned an ensign in the regular army of the United States in Bedford County Virginia, on the 15th August 1775, under Capt. William Campbell and Lieut. Daniel Trigg, and served in the 1st Regiment of the Virginia line under the following named officers to wit: Patrick Henry Colonel - William Christian Lieutenant Colonel - Francis Eppes Major - William Campbell Captain, and Daniel Trigg Lieutenant - He marched from New London, Va. [now in Campbell County], to Williamsburg. In the fall of 1775, his company commanded by Capt. Campbell, was detached and sent to great Bridge, and was in the action at that place under Col. [William] Woodford [9 Dec 1775]. He was next in the attack on upon Gwinn's Island [sic Gwynn Island at the mouth of the Rappahannock River] to drive Dunmore from thence in the summer of 1776 [July 8-10]. He served as ensign until his men's times of enlistment expired, which was one year - when about the 1st Sept. 1776, He was appointed 1st Lieutenant, and acted in that capacity in the 2^d. Va. Regiment under Col. Woodford, in recruiting men in Portsmouth Virg'a. for Capt George Nicholas - for three months - from 1st September 1776 until 1st December following; when he returned from Portsmouth to the head quarters of the army at Williamsburg the 1st Dec. 1776 - learning that a company was about to be raised in Bedford County Virginia, for continental service, he obtained leave of General Andrew Lewis to return to Bedford County Virginia, and offered for the Captaincy of said company, to which he was elected almost unanimously (only one vote against him) and was accordingly commissioned as captain of said company in the regular service of the United States on the fourth Monday in December 1776, which could not have fallen later in the month that the 28th. In the spring of the year 1777, his company being attached to the 14th Regiment of the Virginia line marched from New London Virginia through Charlottesville, Fredericksburg, Dumfries (Va), Alexandria, Georgetown, Bladensburg (D.C.) Baltimore, Snowden's Iron works, Charlestown, Havre De Grace, Head of Elk [now Elkton MD], Wilmington, Chester, Philadelphia, Bristol, Trenton, Princeton, to Middlebrook, New Jersey. He served under the following named officers to wit: Gen'l. Washington, commander in chief, Nath'l. Greene, Major Gen'l. of Division ___ [George] Weedon, Gen'l. of Brigade, Charles Lewis, Col of the 14th Regiment of Va. Line, Abram Buford Lieut Col., and George Stubblefield Major under the said officers he served in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777]. He left the service sometime in February 1780 - he cannot recollect the precise day. He served in the army of the United States not less than the periods mentioned below, to wit one year ensign - three months a first Lieutenant - and three years and two months as Captain. in the whole four years & five months, for which he claims a pension. He served as captain at least three years and two months, as will appear by a patent, which issued from the General land office of the United States on the 28th Sept. 1830 in his name for 1000 acres of land in Ohio being a part of a military land warrant No. 6550. He resided in Bedford County Virginia when he entered the service of the United States, and he resided there ever since the revolution.

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 any agency in any state.

[signed] George Lambert

NOTE: On the pension certificate is written, "Died, Jan 30, 1837."