

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lambert S16445

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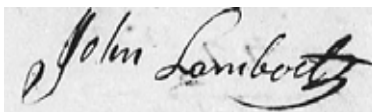
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State of Kentucky, Mercer County

On this 9th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County court of Mercer now sitting John Lambert a resident of Washington County of said State aged 72 who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832.

I John Lambert do hereby state on oath that I am now upwards of 72 years old and will be 73 in February next, That I was Born in the County of Albemarle Virginia and resided in the County of Bedford in the same State when the war commenced and I was called into the Militia service of said State, as follows, In the month of April 1781, I volunteered in Captain Clemens [?] Company of Maj. Ward[']s [possibly Major John Ward's] Battalion and marched to Salisbury on my way to Ninety Six in South Carolina in a tour of three months when I reached Salisbury I was detached and joined the company of Captain Jeremiah Pate and marched on to Ninety Six and joined General Greene's [Nathanael Greene's] Army then besieging Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781]¹ and aided in the Siege and finding that we could not take it we marched back to Broad River from which place my company returned home at the expiration of my time and I was honorably discharged and again on the first of August 1781, I volunteered in Captain Charles Callaway's company, in Colonel William Campbell's Regiment commanded at that time by Major Andrew Campbell (the Colonel being sick) we marched to Little York against Lord Cornwallis where I aided in his capture [Yorktown, October 19, 1781] and served my time out as a faithful soldier, and was honorably discharged. I was present when the surrender of Cornwallis took place in October 1781 I further state that I do not know of any person at present by whom I can prove this last tour, I further state that besides Mr Joshua Richardson² and Richard Bunch³ who were with me I am acquainted with Caleb Sims & William Kelly who are my neighbors and who can Testify as to my character as a man of veracity. I also relinquish all claim to a pension or annuity except the present and I am not on the pension roll of the United States or any State. Witness my hand this 9 August 1832

S/ John Lambert



¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ninety_six.html

² [Joshua Richardson W3603](#)

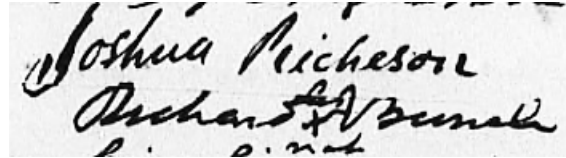
³ [Richard Bunch S16334](#)

Mercer County:

This day Joshua Richardson and Richard Bunch came into open court and being first sworn according to law do hereby state that we are well acquainted with the above named John Lambert & he is the Identical same man with whom we marched in April 1781 as a soldier in Captain Clemens company of the Virginia militia of Major Ward's Battalion to Salisbury in North Carolina, and from thence to the Siege of Ninety Six which latter fact is well known to the said Joshua Richardson who accompanied the said Lambert and returned home with him at the expiration of his term of three months and the said Richard Bunch knows that he was a soldier as far as Salisbury at which place he was detached & he also knows that said Lambert did not return until the expiration of his time. The other tour of three months at the capture of the Lord Cornwallis we were not with him but we have often heard Mr. Lambert speak of it not long afterwards, and many years ago -- so that we have no doubt of his having performed that tour as he is a man of Truth and reputed to have been a soldier of the revolutionary War. We also believe him to be of the age he has stated. Witness our hands this 9th of August 1832

S/ Joshua Richeson

S/ Richard Bunch, X his mark

A photograph of a document showing two handwritten signatures. The first signature is 'Joshua Richeson' in cursive. The second signature is 'Richard Bunch' in cursive, with an 'X' mark over the name, indicating it was signed by a mark.

[William Kelly and Caleb Sims gave a supporting affidavit.]

[Turner Smith, a clergyman, and Thomas Royalty also gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for services rendered as a private in the Virginia militia.]