

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jacob Lemmon: W3698

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Virginia At a Court held at the Courthouse for the County of Botetourt on Monday the 8th day of July 1833

On this the 8th day of July 1833 personally appeared before the County Court of Botetourt in the said State of Virginia Jacob Lemmon resident in the said County of Botetourt and State aforesaid now in the 71 year of his age who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832 that he was born on the 7th day of May in the year of our lord 1763 in the County of Frederick in the State of Maryland and moved to Augusta County in the State of Virginia when he was about nine or ten years of age where he continued to reside untill the first of October 1780 when he entered the army of the United States in the said County of Augusta as a substitute for a man by the name of Frederick Burkett in the company commanded by Capt. John Tate [sic: see note below] and marched from the said County of Augusta to Hillsborough North Carolina where they were furnished with guns and ammunition and from Hillsborough they marched into the State of South Carolina where they joined the army under the Command of General [Daniel] Morgan Colo. William Washington and Colo. [John Eager] Howard (of Maryland) in the neighbourhood of Mecklenburg and were attached to Colo. Howards regiment and in the month of January following was at and engaged in the memorable battle of the Cowpens where he was slightly wounded after which engagement he was employed in conducting the prisoners of War taken in the above battle to Salisbury in North Carolina and in guarding them untill sometime in the month of February (1781) following and was discharged in the same month and arrived at his home in the said County of Augusta the last of the said month during the above specified tour of duty this applicant served the full term of four months and twenty days and acted as a Sergant in the above service and under the above named officers and in the month of May following this applicant was drafted in the said County of Augusta (1781) and marched in the company commanded by Capt. John Dicky [sic: Dickey] to near Williamsburg in the State of Virginia where he joined the army under the Command of Gen'l. [Anthony] Wayne Gen'l. William Campbell of the Va. Militia and Colo. Hazzard and was at and engaged in the battle of James Town under the command of the above named officers and was subsequently discharged in the latter part of August following at Bottoms bridge (now called Camp Holly) about 16 miles below Richmond this applicant served the full term of three months and fifteen days in this his second tour of Duty. he returned home to the County of Augusta when in the month of November following this applicant visited his relations in the County of Frederick in the State of Maryland where he substituted for (his relation) a certain Andrew Hull to guard the prisoners taken at the defeat of Lord Cornwallis stationed at the Barracks in Frederick Town in the State of Maryland where this applicant served for the term of two months after his discharge from Guarding the said prisoners he again returned to his house in the County of Augusta aforesaid and in the month of May following 1782 this applicant was drafted for a tour of duty of three months to guard the frontier against the Indians on the Tigarts Valley River in the north western part of Virginia [sic: Tygart Valley River in present Randolph County WV] that he was ordered into the service by Col. John Moffit [sic: Moffett] of the said County of Augusta and marched in the Company commanded by Capt. John McKitrick [sic: McKittrick] of said County of Augusta. in this his last tour of duty he served the full term of three months for which he was drafted this applicant continued on his return from the last tour of duty against the Indians to reside in the County of Augusta for eight or nine years after which he moved to the County of Botetourt aforesaid where he has resided ever since this applicant has no documentary evidence of his services having long since given out all hopes of ever being remembered by his Country and has consequently lost or misplaced all papers touching his services this applicant would further state that during the periods which he served his country he was not engaged in any Civil business this applicant would beg leave to refer the Department to Capt'n John Jordan, Capt'n. James Paxton, Maj'r George Gray Colo.

William Anderson and Charles Beale Esqr. his neighbours for information touching his character and as to their knowledge and belief of his having been a soldier of the revolution. This applicant hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the roll or agency of any State.     Jacob Lemmon

NOTE: Capt. Edmund Tate, rather than Capt. John Tate, was at the Battle of Cowpens. Lemmons may have confused the two because John Tate also guarded prisoners from Cowpens (see his pension application S6191).