Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John H. Lang R6142

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State of Virginia in the County of Goochland

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the County of Goochland aforesaid John H. Lang, a native of Germany, and now a resident of the County of Goochland & State aforesaid aged Eighty-one years the 24th day of June last, 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 made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted about the commencement of the Revolutionary War in America, in Germany, in the French Army, and was under the command of General Rochambeau & Colonel Dubon and belonged to a Regiment called the Dutch Regiment, that he with the above named Officers and French Army, arrived at Rhode Island in the French fleet commanded by Count De Grasse, about the month of May in the year 1780, that from the time of his arrival, he continued in the service of the United States until the close of the War and has remained in the State of Virginia ever since, that he remained in Colonel Dubon's Regiment during the War, under the following named Officers, Captain Clook, Captain Hawk, Lieutenant Calp, and served as a Grenadier, during the War, he does not recollect the names of any other Officers -- he embarked for America, at Brest in France, about the first of February 1780 he thinks, and that he continued in the American service from that time until the close of the War, when he left the service in the City of Williamsburg in Virginia, on the 24th day of June 1782 -- he was in a battle at sea, with the British fleet, in which about twenty-five men of War, on each side were engaged, the time of the engagement he does not recollect, but it took place while he was on his passage to America -- that he marched from the State of Rhode Island to the City of Philadelphia, thence to Annapolis, thence to Wilmington in Delaware, thence to Fort Washington in New York, thence back to Wilmington, thence to Jamestown in Virginia, thence to Williamsburg, thence to York where he remained until the surrender of Cornwallis in October 1781 -- that he was in the service of the United States for two years & he thinks about four months -- he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John H. Lang

Department of War Pension Office May 9, 1833

Sir

The declaration of John H. Lang has been examined, and his claim has been rejected upon the ground, that none but American soldiers during the revolutionary War are included in

the provisions of the Act of June 7th, 1832.

Foreign troops are in no case considered as being entitled to the benefits of the above recited Act consequently the present applicant can have no just claim -- His papers all placed upon the files in this Office.

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