Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Lookebee (Lookinbee) R6439 Charity fn43NC Transcribed by Will Graves 4/21/10

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State of North Carolina Davidson County

On this 16th day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared in Open Court, before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & quarter [Sessions] in & for Davidson County State of North Carolina now sitting, David Lookebee resident of said County & State, aged seventy 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 Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in 1778 substituted in place of his father at the age of 16 served a short tour of three months joined Captain Bell's company as a volunteer marched with the troops to Charleston served four months was discharged, then enlisted in the regular Army remained there until Charleston was taken by the British when he was taken prisoner where he remained some time before he was released three months under Colonel Lowman returned home volunteered in a rifle company commanded by Captain Frederick Smith marched to Wilmington North Carolina served three months and was discharged in all thirteen months.

Has no documentary evidence of his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court the 16th of August 1832

S/D. Mock, CCC

S/ David Lookebee, X his mark

[Peter Smith and Casper Smith gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The foregoing declaration and certificates being returned by the War Department with objections this Declarant appeared before Andrew Swicegood -- and acting Justice of the Peace in and for Davidson County and on oath offer the following amendment to his declaration. That he was born and raised in Rowan County in that part now called Davidson North Carolina where he has always resided. That no clergyman acquainted with him lives near him that no regular clergyman lives near him and he could not procure the certificate of one that all his service in the revolutionary war was as a private soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed for made this 14th day of 1833

S/ Andrew Swicegood, JP

S/ David Lookabill, O his mark [sic]

[fn p. 8: on February 17, 1852 in Davidson County North Carolina, Andrew Swicegood and John Gobble gave testimony that they were well acquainted with David Lookinbee and his wife Charity some 59 or 60 years ago; that they lived together as man and wife; Andrew Swicegood further testified that he took the age of the 3rd son of David and Charity Lookinbee from his tombstone which reads as follows "George Lookinbee was born on the 11th day of December A.D. 1793"; that the family record of David Lookinbee cannot now be found.]

[fn p. 9: on February 7, 1852 in Davidson County North Carolina, Susan Lookinbee, 60, filed a claim under the 1838 act stating that she is The Daughter and Heir at Law of Charity Lookinbee who was the widow of David Lookinbee a soldier of the revolution and a pensioner for his services in the war; that her father David died at his residence on March 30, 1838; that his widow died at her residence in the County on April 20 1841; that she, Susan, is the only heir at law of her mother who is known to be living at this time.]

[fn p. 13: On March 5, 1853 in Davidson County North Carolina, Andrew Swicegood gave additional testimony including the following: "that the reasons why he knows that he knew David Lookinbee & wife Charity and Children in A.D. 1792 are that he and David Lookebbes Children were going to a Dutch school taught by a Dutch Schoolmaster and the school was broken up in consequence of a difficulty that arose between the Schoolmaster and his father about entering a piece of land, which was entered by his Father in A.D. 1782, as the land papers show, and that it was the same year that he was going to school with the children of the said David Lookinbee and wife Charity that the land was entered and the school broken up."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 13 months service in the revolution.]