

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Rodham Lunsford S13803

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State of Kentucky Lincoln County Sct.

On this 22nd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the Lincoln County Court now sitting, Rody^{Rodham} Lunsford a resident Citizen of the County aforesaid aged 70 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 the 7th of June 1832.

He states he enlisted in the County of Fauquier in the State of Virginia in the month of March 1779 for three years, and was enrolled in Captain Butler's [perhaps Lawrence Butler's] Company, his Lieutenant was by the name of Philip Mallery [Philip Mallory], his Ensign [was] by the [name] of Ray,¹ Heath [William Heth] was his Colonel, and Charles Scott was his General, he lay one summer at Petersburg in Virginia, and then in the fall of 1779 was marched to South Carolina, under the command of his General Charles Scott. He was in Charleston at the time of the Siege, and was taken prisoner in May 1780 the City having been surrendered by General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] to the British Army. He was detained and kept as a Prisoner in [to words marked out and obliterated so as to be illegible], until after the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], having been absent three years and nine months. He has no Documentary evidence of his services.

During the period of his being a prisoner he suffered every sort of privation, but he presumes a detail of all the facts connected with that part of his case is not called for in the present application.

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 the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Rodham Lunsford [very, very faint]



[Thomas Helm, John Pinnik and William Bryant gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for three years in the Virginia Continental line.]

¹ Found no likely candidate for this officer under either "Ray" or "Wray."