Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Locke S38150

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State of Virginia, County of Lancaster. SS.

On the 22^d day of September 1818, before the County Court of Lancaster, being a Court of record, personally appeared in open Court, Joseph Locke aged 60 years, resident in the said County of Lancaster, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & naval service of the Untied States in the Revolutionary War" that he the said Joseph Locke enlisted in Lancaster County in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Capt Samuel Denny in Colo. Charles Harrisons Regiment of Continental Artillery, on the 7th of March 1777. that he continued to serve in the said Regiment until march the 9th 1780 at which time He called for his discharge & received it from Colo. Edw'd. Carrington [Edward Carrington] Lt. Colo. of the aforesaid Regiment (at Morriston in Jersey). After remaining at home a short time I again returned into service as a substitute under Colo. Wm. Davies [William Davies] whom I joined at Chesterfield Ct House (Virginia) where I was made a Seargeant & shortly after, was made Forrage Master, Conductor of Military Stores & Deputy Quarter Master in which capacity as Q. Master I remained till the End of the War and that he is in reduced circumstances stands in need of the assistance of his county [sic] for support.

[signed] Jos. Locke

District of Virginia SS

Lancaster County Court:

On this 18th day of June 1821, personally appeared, in open Court being a Court of record for the said district County; Joseph Locke aged Sixty two years, resident of Lancaster County in said district, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. that he enlisted in Lancaster County Virginia in Capt'n. Samuel Denneys company of artillery upon continental establishment on the 7th of March 1777 for the term of three years and served the said term of enlistment under Capt'n John Dandridge in Colo. Charles Harrisons Regt. of artillery and was discharged at Morristown N. Jersey on the 8th of March 1780. that he was in the memorable battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778]. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

1 mare six head of Cattle seven sheep and one lamb. 17 hogs of different sizes. 1 bureau 1 ovel table 1 small table 1 square Table. a parcel of plates dishes bowls castors &c. suitable for the use of a small family. 7 old windsor chairs 1 pine chest 1 small book case 1 spinning wheel 2 Ox chains, 2 Ovens 3 iron pots 4 plows and 2 sets of gear, one old canoe six stone jugs a parcel of old tubs and barrels 1 family Bible Burket on Testament History of Revolution and a few other Books a parcel of stone pots 5 old hoes & 4 old axes 1 Gun and 2 old gun barrels 1 Old Wheat fan, 1 looking Glass 1 old pr. of fire tongs and sheep shears – and I have no occupation and no ability to pursue any, having not the use of my left arm and being otherwise very infirm. My family consists of myself and two sons Vizt Ludwell 26 years of age Addison 14 years & Polly 18 years of age.

Jos. Locke

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: Joseph Lock, age 22, height 5′ 8″, dark hair, black eyes, dark complexion, born and residing in Lancaster County, enlisted as a substitute in Sussex County in Nov 1780 for 18 months. Sized on April 10 1781. Sergeant. Previously served three years in 1st Artillery Regiment.