Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Lingo S38913

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State of Tennessee } court of pleas and quarter sessions

Maury County } October Term 1826

On this 1st day of October 1826 personally appeared in open court being a court of record proceeding according to the course of the common law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of their proceedings for the county of Maury and state of Tennessee William Lingo resident in said County aged about 73 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820. That he the said William Lingo enlisted during the revolutionary war in the year 1779 but the precise time of that time he cannot remember in Lewistown [Lewes] in the state of Delaware. that he was enlisted by Major Potter and was shortly afterwards put under the command of Captain Peter Jaquett [pension application S46500] In the regiment commanded by Col [Joseph] Vaughan In the line of the State of Delaware on the continental establishment that after his enlistment he was marched to the south [spring of 1780] and continued to serve in the said corps under the command of General [Horatio] Gates principally untill Gates's defeat [Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] after which time he was commanded by Capt Robert Kirkwood in Col Vaughn's regiment under the command of Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] untill the close of the revolutionary war when he was discharged from this service by Gen'l. Green in Batimore in the State of Maryland That he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any state except Delaware unless it may have been transferred to the roll of some other state after he was marched from Delaware to the south. That some years ago he forwarded a declaration for a pension But never received a pension as he was informed in consequence of some informality or other. That he should have made an earlier application for a pension than he did but hoped to be enabled to do without it but as declining age advanced upon him he became more helpless and stood absolute need of the assistance of his country and during the term of his service he was in the battle of Gates's defeat near Camden in the state of South Carolina. In the battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] in the state of North Carolina in which he was wounded in the right arm, in the Battle of the Utau springs [Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] and in several skirmishes between with the British and Tories. and in pursuance of the act of 1st May 1820 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 provision of an act of congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons 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 anexed and by me subscribed that all the property he owns on the face of the earth his necessary clothing & bedding excepted consists of the following articles (to wit) one small one eyed mare and colt of little value \$30. six head of hogs \$4. an old sadle & bridle and four chairs and a few articles of very indifferent quality of household furniture and of little value \$5. - \$39.

That on the 18th of March 1818 the property he owned on earth which he does now [sic] own was a sorrel mare which he has since sold for \$50. and has applied the sale money exclusively on the payment of debts and procuring the necessaries of life if he owned any other property at that time which he does not now own he does not remember. But if he did it must have been some very small article of little or no value but does not think a single other article of property was then owned by him. That his occupation

when able to labour any is farming. That he has become old and verry infirm and much afflicted with disease and in addition to other diseases his wounded arm often affects so that he is wholly unable to labour for a support. his family consists of himself and his aged wife Susannah now about sixty three years old his said wife has had one of her wrists broke & is other wise much affected and is lately unable to labour any. That she is so perfectly helpless and he being not able to support himself much less to support her. That he himself as swell as his wife are at this time paupers on that county. That he must in his old age be wholly dependant on the benevolence his government or the charity of individuals of for his support.

Signed William hisXmark Lingo