Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Philip Lauman S40072

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State of Pennsylvania } SS and County of Allegheny }

The declaration under oath of Philip Lauman an applicant for a pention under the 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"

Respectfully sheweth, That he is a resident citizen of the United States and now has his actual residence in St. Clair Township in Allegheny County and that from his reduced circumstances, age and disability from wounds he requires the assistance of his country for his support. That he is an old soldier of the revolution and served against the common enemy during the war.

That he enlisted in Lancaster Pennsylvania some time in the month of May AD. 1777 in the company commanded by Capt. John Doyle - 10th Reg't. Infantry (Pennsylvania line - commanded by Col. Adam Hubly [Adam Hubley].

He was in the Battles of Stoney point [sic: Stony Point NY, 15 Jul 1779], Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] and the Paoli [21 Sep 1777]. He was also at the Battle of James Town [Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] and at the taking of Lord Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781].

At the battle of Green Springs or Jamestown Capt. Doyle was killed & he was then transferred to Capt. Jno. Finny's company in the 3^d. Regmt—afterwards transferred to Andrew Irwin's company in the same Regmt. The Regiment then in South Carolina were reduced to one the 1st Regmt. commanded by col. Harmer.

He was discharged at Philadelphia in August 1783 by Capt. Andrews Jr: went on application for pay, he left his discharge at some of the publick officers. He was wounded at Brandywine in the neck & at Jamestown in the leg. His wound in the leg is very severe and often disables him from work.

Sworn and subscribed 5th day of May 1818

[signed] Philip Lauman

Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania SS.

On this 7th day of August, 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the said district proceeding according to the course of the common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a record of its proceedings, Philip Lauman aged sixty one years, resident in Allegheny 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: Viz that he enlisted in Lancaster Pennsylvania under Capt John Doyle of the 6th Regiment Pennsylvania line commanded by Col. Patrick Hampton, and continued in the service of the United States, until 1783, when he was Discharged at Philadelphia being then under Capt Andrew Irwin of Col Harmer's regiment which was then called the first regiment, Pennsylvania U.S. service

and that I have received a pension on a certificate from the War Office of the United States, numbered $4,\!082$

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 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 hereunto annexed and by me subscribed, viz:— Excepting a shot gun, value about seven dollars, he has no property but his wearing apparel and that the value of the said gun is about seven dollars

My occupation is a farmer and labourer, and I have no family whatever, nor any relation

in a situation to afford me a subsitence, and that he is incapable of earning a livelihood by labour.

And further, the deponent doth declare and make oath that he is in such indigent circumstances, as to be unable to support himself without the assistance of his country.

Sworn and declared in open court on the Seventh day of August AD 1820 signed Philip Lauman

Pennsylvania } SS City of Pittsburgh Personally appeared before me one of the Aldermen of said city, Philip Lauman late a United States Pensioner, at present a prisoner in the Jail of Allegheny County (in which place this Deposition is made) who being duly sworn according to Law Deposeth & saith that he the said Philip Lauman was late a pensioner of the U. States, that he served with the Army of the Revolution in the U States Service and that he is not now able to make a living by his own industry, that he lately applied for a renewell of his pension, and that after it had been sent on to the War office sometime, it was returned requiring small additional alteration with application [several illegible words] to near thirty miles upon a cart to the [one or two illegible words] office in order to make said alteration and that then he returned his application since when he has no reply. further said Deponent saith that he has been obliged to run into debt for cloathing subsistence in anticipation of his pension, and that he is now in Jail for debt & has no means either to subsist himself in future or to pay the debt contracted for past cloathing & subsistence without the aid of his Country [signed] Philip Lauman [16 Apr 1821]