## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Lufman (Luffman) S42901 Transcribed by Will Graves fn12NC 4/26/10

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State of New York County of Columbia: Be it Remembered that on the 11th day of April in the year of our Lord 1818 before me John J. Miller first Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Columbia Personally appeared John Luffman to me personally known who after having been duly sworn did depose and say that he is a resident of the town of Claverack in the County of Columbia and State of New York, that he enlisted in the service of the United States in the revolutionary War on or about the month of August in the year 1776 in Captain William Goodman's Company in the fourth North Carolina Regiment for three years and was afterwards transferred to Colonel Thomas Clark's Company in the first North Carolina Regiment and served as a soldier against the common Enemy for three years in which times however he the said John Luffman was taken a Prisoner between Charleston and Savannah and kept as such by the Enemy about nine months when he made his escape and returned to the service of the United States in which he continued to serve against the common Enemy until he was discharged at Constitution Island in the State of New York the 21st day of August in the year 1779, and that from his reduced circumstances in life he the deponent needs the assistance of his Country for support, and hereby applies to be placed on the Pension list of the United States according to the Act of Congress of March 18<sup>th</sup> 1818.

S/ John Luffman, X his mark

"This is to Certify that the bearer hereof John Lufman formerly a Soldier in the fourth No. Carolina Regt. in Capt. William Goodman's Company and Transferd the 6<sup>th</sup> of June One thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy Eight to Col. Thomas Clark's Company 1<sup>st</sup> No. Carolina Regt. has Served in sd Regiment & Company for the space of three years, & is for the Reasons below Mentioned Discharged from sd Regt., he having Received his Pay, Arrears of Pay his Cloathing and all Just Demands from the time of his Enlisting into sd Balln to This Day of his Discharge He is Discharged having Enlisted himself on the [twen]ty fifth Day One Thousand seven hundred & Seventy Six for three years Only as Appears

by the Muster Rolls, and to Prevent any III Use being made of this Discharge by its falling into the hands of any other person whatsoever here follows a Discription of sd John Lufman Aged Twenty One years Born in the State of No. Carolina, Blacksmith by Trade Given Under my hand at Constitution Island New York State Augt. 21<sup>st</sup> 1779

Schedule

State of New York Columbia County: SS

On this 6th day of June A.D. 1820 -- personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record called the Court of Common Pleas, held in & for the County of Columbia aforesaid, John Lufman of the town of Claverack in the County aforesaid aged fifty-nine years, resident in the said Town of Claverack & County of Columbia, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows -- in Colonel Cark's [sic, Clark's?] Regiment of North Carolina was in the battles of Saratoga, Monmouth, Brandywine & Yorktown & was discharged at West Point in the State of New York as will appear from the papers on file at the War office of the United States, upon which a certificate No. 11.011 was given the 24th day of May A.D. 1819 -- "And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 -

S/ John Lufman, X his mark

Sworn to & declared on the 6th day of June 1820 before me S/ John J. Miller, first Judge of Columbia Com Pleas

Schedule etc.

I have no real estate -- but personal property as follows

3 common chairs -- one small Table -- half a dozen T. & half a dozen tablespoons, one old cupboard & 4 plates -- 2 earthen dishes -- 6 cups & saucers -- 2 bottles - 1 ½ gallon jug -- to Pots -- one T. Kettle -- one spider -- one chest -- do hogs & 5 pigs & about \$2 due me -- all which articles of property may be worth about \$45

My family consists of my wife aged 44 years Jacob Keeler aged 13 Christina Keeler

& Sally Keeler ages 7 -- the children of my said wife by

her first husband –

and Thomas Lufman aged about 4 years

& Eve Ann Lufman 1 -- These are unable to render any

efficient support for the family -- old age & some seven wounds received in the

revolutionary war, have nearly disabled me –

S/ John Lufman, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 11, 1818 for 3 years service in the North Carolina Continental line.]