Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Lamme¹ S46454 Transcribed by Will Graves

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an act entitled an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828 I Nathan Lamme of the County of Greene and State of Ohio do hereby declare that in the fall of the year 1776 I was appointed and commissioned a Lieutenant in Captain Laird's Company of the 10th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Stephens [Edward Stevens] and in the year 1777 or 1778 I was promoted to a Captain in said Regiment which was then reduced to the 6th Regiment & commanded by Colonel Greene [John Green] and I continued in said Regiment until a few weeks after Lord Cornwallis' Army was taken in 1781 at York Town [October 19, 1781], I then commanded a Company of whom was enlisted for 18 months, and stationed at said York Town and in November or December 1781 I was ordered to discharge my Company by the Adjutant General whose name I think was Hand or Hanley, this officer I think was from the State of Maryland and received orders from General Washington. I then had no men to command and was permitted to return home. I did so, and was not again called into service in the War was considered to be at an end; I never resigned my Commission and considered myself as belonging to the Army until the final close of the War in November 1783.

At the close of the War I received Certificates of pay but whether they were what was called commutation Certificates, or certificates for my monthly pay, I do not now recollect, I consider myself entitled to all of the benefits of the resolve of Congress of the 22^{nd} of March 1783 my commission is either lost or mislaid & I received from the State of Virginia for thousand acres of Warrants for said Continental Service, and I have never received a pension from the United States. Witness my hand & seal this 30^{th} day of July 1831.

S/ Nathan Lamme {Seal}

[Stephen Bell and David Lamme gave testimony that Nathan Lamme is generally reputed and believed to have been an officer in the revolution.]

[p 16] State of Kentucky Fayette County: Sct.

John McDowell who is now receiving his full pay from the United States under the [Act] of Congress of the 15th of May 1828 appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County

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and made oath that he was personally acquainted with Nathan Lamme a Captain in Colonel Green's Regiment of the Virginia line in the Revolutionary War and that said Lamme was in service up to the taking of Lord Cornwallis in October in the year 1781 at which time said Captain Lamme went home & he has always understood and believes that said Captain Lamme did not resign his commission, but remained at home subject to be called into active duty until the close of the War in the year 1783 and he has seen him since the Revolution & knows him to be the individual person who served & he understands that said Captain Lamme now resides in the State of Ohio.

S/John McDowell²

John McDowell

[Attested October 19, 1831]

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Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

John Nelson³ made oath before me a Justice of the Peace for said County that he was a Captain in the 5th Virginia Regiment during the War of the Revolution & is now receiving his full pay under the Law of Congress approved on the 15th of May 1828 and that he was personally acquainted with Nathan Lamme a Captain in Colonel Green's Regiment of the Virginia line, & that he was present when said Lamme up to the month of October 1781 at the taking of Lord Cornwallis' Army at which time Captain Lamme was ordered to discharge or furlough his Company & himself to return home, and he understood and believes that Captain Lamme was not called into service again, and did not resign his Commission, and he believes said Lamme was entitled to his commutation certificates at the close of the War, but whether he applied for them he does not know.

S/Jno Nelson

[Attested October 20th, 1831]

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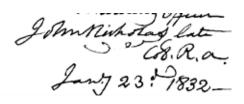
I hereby certify that after the surrender of Cornwallis at York Orders were issued by General Washington to discharge such of the Troops as were enlisted for a less period than 3 years or during the war & that Captain Lamme of the Virginia Continental line who I well recollect being then in command of the Company was by such order with many others left without command, & of course, on attached to any separate Corps, consequently like myself & many others became a retiring Officer.

S/ John Nicholas⁴ late Col. R. A. January 23rd, 1832

² John McDowell S30578

³ John Nelson S35537

⁴ John Nicholas S46397



[p 3] Ohio Green County Sct.

I Nathan Lamme aged Seventy Six years do upon oath testify and declare that in the year 1777 I entered the service of the United States as a Lieutenant in the 10th Regiment of the Virginia Continental line commanded by Colonel Stephens [Edward Stevens] and continued in service until the close of the War in 1783 then belonging to the 6th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Greene [John Green]. And I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty of land promised to me on the part of the United States, nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever: therefore know all men by these presents that I Nathan Lamme aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Henry Asbury of Lexington Kentucky to be my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to ask demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a Warrant for the quantity of land due me as aforesaid, and my said Attorney is authorized to appoint on [sic] Attorneys under him for said purposes and my said attorney or his substitutes authorized to cause said warrant when issued to be converted into script and to receive the same from the Commissioner of the General Land Office and to receipt for the same in my name.

S/ Nathan Lamme

[Identity of Nathan Lamme supported by affidavit of Samuel Lamme, 43,

[Attested April 12, 1832]

War Department Bounty Land Office January 28th 1832

The name of Nathan Lamme is not returned on the list of Officers of the Virginia line, on file in this office, among those entitled to bounty lands from the United States – nor does it appear that a Land Warrant has been granted in his name by the United States

S/Wm Gordon

General Land Office 30 January 1832

The name of Nathan Lamme does not appear on the List of Warrants issued by the Register of Land Office at Richmond Virginia as far as they have been received.

S/ Fredk Keller, Clerk

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do certify that Captain Nathan Lamme was superseded in June or July 1782 previous to that time Captain Lamme had enclosed his Commission but by some accident it did not reach the

board of the Office then sitting; If it had I am very confident it would have been received, as I was president of the board that sat at that time; These circumstances were not known whilst the board was sitting, but since that time I have been fully convinced of the facts. Given under my hand December 21^{st} 1785

S/ S. Hawes [Samuel Hawes], formerly Lt. Colol. 1st VA Regt.