Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Lambaugh S8816 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Ohio Lawrence County SS: Court Common Pleas of August Term 1832 –

On this 29 day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas in & for the County aforesaid, being a Court of record, Joseph Lambaugh, a resident of Fayette Township in the County of Lawrence aforesaid, aged 69 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted as a private in the Army of the United States on or about the 12th of May 1771 [sic, probably meant to be 1781] – with John Smith, John Huff, Hays Huff, James Haiter [? John Hunter?], & others for during the war & served in the 5th Regiment of the Virginia Line, under the following named officers, to wit, Company Officers – Captain Wm George [William George]¹, Lieutenant John Smith. Field officers Colonel Meraweathers [probably Thomas Meriwether]² – Major Harderman – General Mughlenburgh [Peter Muhlenberg] –. He further declares that he enlisted at a place called Maupin Hills [Malvern Hills] about 18 miles below Richmond Virginia (name of the County not recollected) in the State of Virginia. At the time of enlistment he resided in London [Loudoun] County near Noland's Ferry. Before he enlisted he had been called out to perform a tour of 2 months service as a militia man, & marched from Louden County to Richmond, where he drew his arms – & from there marched to the above named place Maupin Hills. In the Militia service he continued about 2 weeks & served under Captain John McGuess. From the place of enlistment he marched to Williamsburg at and about which place he continued till General Washington joined them. During his stay here he was in several skirmishes with the enemy – and was twice wounded – viz. in his right knee & right elbow – (shows the scars). From Williamsburg he marched to York Town where he served during the whole siege & till the surrender of the Army commanded by Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. From York Town he marched with the Prisoners to Noland's Ferry – (near the place of his residence) where he received a furlough from Captain George permitting him, & as he believes all company, to go home & remained till the next spring – or till called on the particulars of which he does not remember. He further declares sometime in April (he believes) following he received a final discharge. He never was in actual service after he received his furlough according to the best of his recollection – he was in actual service a little over 6 months, & from the time of entering the service till he received his final discharge was about 11 months – exclusive of the time of service in the militia as aforesaid.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & he

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¹ According to Gwathmey, William George was a Captain in the Loudoun County militia, not the Continental line.

² Thomas Meriwether was a Colonel in the Virginia State Troops, not in the Continental line

declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

S/ Joseph Lambaugh, X his mark

Joseph Lambaugh having called on me John Hereford now of Mason County Virginia formerly of Loudoun County if I new [knew] anything of his services as a Revolutionary Soldier (I do not) but from circumstances he has related to me [I] must believe that he was as I believe in the Revolution as stated in his declaration as I was acquainted with the Captains who he says he served under during the invasion of Cornwallis as I acted as Adjutant to the several Regiments that marched from Loudoun County during the invasion of Cornwallis and was there during Siege and surrender of the British Army and the Regiment I served in took one division of the prisoners to Noland's ferry on the Potomac River where they were received by the Maryland troops as stated in his declaration. I find on examination in his declaration a very erroneous mistake as to the date stated in his declaration. Also in his witness affidavits. It is there stated that his service as a soldier was in the year 1771 May the 12th when it all to have been in the year 1781 – October 19th when Lord Cornwallis surrendered.

Given under my hand this 7th day of September 1833 S/ Ino Hereford³

State of Ohio Lawrence County SS: Superior Court, April Term 1833

On this 15th day of April 1833, personally appeared in open Court, Joseph Lambaugh, an applicant for a pension, who being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods below mentioned and in the following grades – for the term of 14 days I served as a private in the militia, as stated in my former declaration hereto attached, and for the term of six months & __ days I served as a private in the Continental service, as stated in said former declaration, amounting in all to not less than six months & 14 days actual service, for which I claim a pension; and for the time absent on furlough, for which I suppose I am entitled, I served 4 months & 16 days – making in all not less than eleven months & __days, for which I claim a pension.

I also further state that I have no documentary evidence to prove any part of my service, nor do I know of any living witness by whom I can prove the same; or any part thereof – S/ Joseph Lambaugh, X his mark

[W. G. Robinson & James Crumlish gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.55 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 14 days in the Virginia militia.]

³ FPA W1425