Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Lovelace (Loveless)¹ W12145 f45VA

Ann Lovelace

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State of Virginia Fairfax County to wit

On this 17th day of December 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Fairfax County now sitting Philip Loveless a resident of the said County of Fairfax and State of Virginia 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 benefit of the act of Congress passed June seventh 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated to wit, The first tour of duty he served under Captain William Lane, whose subalterns were Lieutenant Henry Payne and Ensign Thomas Millan all of the County and State aforesaid & was stationed in & about Williamsburg and Richmond at which latter place he was discharged after having served three months. That he served a second tour of duty under Captain Francis Russell whose Lieutenant he thinks was Thomas Minor & Ensign Spencer Minor, he does not recollect the Regiment to which he was attached in either tour. This last tour he served near York in Virginia and was at the siege of that place then in the possession of the British under Lord Cornwallis, that he continued so to serve till Cornwallis was taken [October 19, 1781]. He then served as guard to the prisoners and marched with them to Noland's ferry in Loudoun County Virginia; where & when he was discharged after having served three months, making his whole term of service six months. Both of these tours of duty were performed in the year 1781 he thinks, but he is sure it was the same year that Cornwallis was taken at York.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state known to him.

S/ Philip Loveless, X his mark

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State of Virginia Fairfax County to wit

On this 11th day of December 1832 personally appeared before me Charles Ratcliffe a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Fairfax and State of Virginia aforesaid, Nathaniel Barker² of the County and State aforesaid and made oath in due form of Law, That Philip Loveless of the County & State aforesaid was in the service of the United States as a soldier in

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¹ BLWt26541-160-55

² Nathaniel Barker W5774

the year 1781 that he the said Loveless served in the same company with the said Barker in the first tour of duty of three months in said year and that the said Loveless did serve with said Barker in the same detachment a second tour of duty in the said year of three months, and was at the taking of York then in the possession of the British under Cornwallis. That the said Loveless was then detached as one of the guard to the prisoners and marched with them to Noland's ferry in Loudoun County in the State of Virginia where the said Loveless was discharged. That the said Barker then in ever since new and was well acquainted with said Philip Loveless having for most of their lives lived in the same County and sometimes same neighborhood. Given under my hand this day and year aforesaid.

S/Cs. Ratcliffe

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State of Virginia County of Fairfax viz.:

On this 18th day of March 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Fairfax County in the State of Virginia now sitting, Philip Lovelace a resident of said County, aged 73 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 Act of Congress passed June seventh 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, and served as herein stated.

In the first Tour of duty he was drafted as a private in the month of March 1781 the particular day of the month not recollected, he thinks it was early in the month, in the Company commanded by Captain William Lane of said County whose Lieutenant was Henry Payne and Ensign was Thomas Millan, also of the said County, and marched to the lower Country to join the Army, which was at that time stationed about Williamsburg; and after being there some time, he marched to Richmond, at which place after having served a full Tour of three months, he was discharged. That he was again drafted in the month of September in the year 1781, in a Company commanded by Captain Frances Russell, whose Lieutenant was Thomas Minor and his Ensign a Mr. Spencer. He does not recollect the Regiment to which he was attached in either Tour, but recollects some of the Officers viz. General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] & Meriwether [probably Thomas Meriwether]. In this last Tour, he was at the Siege of York Town, and continued with the Army until the surrender of Cornwallis. He then was placed with the Guard which attended the Prisoners to Noland's Ferry, in the County of Loudoun, where, and when he was discharged after having served a full Tour of three months, making the whole Term of service six months. His discharge was not preserved by him in either instance. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

S/ Philip Lovelace, X his mark

[Solomon Ballenger and Stanford Cocknill gave the standard supporting affidavit.] The following Interrogatories were propounded by the Court viz.:

 1^{st} Where and in what year were you born? – Answer. In the County of Charles, in the State of Maryland in the year 1760, as well as I can ascertain.

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it? – Answer. No

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live? – Answer. I was living in Fairfax County at that time where I now reside.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a

substitute, and if a substitute, for whom? Answer – I was drafted in both Tours.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. – Answer. I have done so as near as I can recollect in my declaration.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it? Answer. I had a discharge in writing, it was not preserved.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer – I have been intimately acquainted with Nathaniel Barker for a great number of years, with whom I served in the Army of the Revolution and who has testified to my services.

[p 16: On March 20, 1854 in Fairfax County Virginia, Ann Lovelace, aged about 54, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Philip Lovelace; that she married him November 28, 1821; that her husband died on or about March 13th, 1836.

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[p 8: On March 10, 1855 in Fairfax County Virginia, Ann Lovelace aged ___ years filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Philip Lovelace deceased; that she married him in Georgetown in District of Columbia November 28, 1821 in a ceremony performed by the Reverend Mr. Balsh; that her husband died on or about March ___ 1836; that her name prior to her marriage was Ann Frizzle; and that she remains his widow.]

[p 35: James Frizzle gave testimony in Fairfax County Virginia that he was well acquainted with the veteran who died March 15th, 1836; that he is also well acquainted with Ann Lovelace, the veteran's widow whose maiden name was Ann Frizzel [sic].]

[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]