

Missouri 19923

Henry Levens

of ~~Warrenton~~ in the State of ~~Missouri~~
who was a Private in the Co commanded
by Captain Lee of the 1st commanded
by Col Woodhead in the Virginia
line for 14 dec & 21 days

\$ 49

Date of cert rec'd on A. B.

Enrolled on the Roll of Missouri
at the rate of 49 Dollars 00 Cents per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 25 day of ~~Sept~~
and sent to Daniel
Conover, Waterford, Monroe Co, Ill.

Amount to the 1st of Sept 1832 122.50
Semi-ann. allowance ending 4 Dec 34 24.50

\$ 147

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by *Wm. J. Palmer* Clerk,

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office.

22 April 1837

Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form: On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will show what is necessary to be done. These points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: }). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, showing the Service of Henry Leonard, Monroe Co. Illinois

Period when he resided	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Name and Rank of the Company officers under whom he served.	Name and Rank of the General and Field officers.	Details in which the applicant was engaged.	Country through which he marched.	Place of abode when he entered the service, and age at the present period.	Evidence by which the declaration is supported.
	Years.	Months.	Days.							
1778 or 79	Not stated			Lieut.	Capt. of the 1st Regt. Va.	Col. B. Ross	None	Perry's camp	88 years old	See declaration of W. H. ...
Feb. 1781 as near as he can recollect	Not stated			"	Not mentioned	Col. Wells and	4 years in the service with Indians in Va. Ohio	Virginia		

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,
Commissioner of Pensions.

State of Illinois }
Monroe County } On this third day of June A. D. Eighteen
hundred and thirty three } Personally appeared before Edward
J. Morgan, Lewis Beard, & Felix Clark Judges of the County
Commissioners Court of said County and State now sitting
Henry Lewis a resident of said County of Illinois aged
Ninety 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 by the Act
of Congress passed June 4th A. D. 1832 - That in the year
1776 he received a Lieutenant's Commission in Captain
Samuel Seters Company of Militia and on the first day
of April of the same year he was detached with twenty
five men to guard a settlement at the place called
Holidays Cove for one month when he was relieved and
on the 1st day of November of the same year he was
detached with the same number of men to guard a place
called the Mingo Bottom Settlement for one month and
on the 1st day of April 1777 - He was detached with the
same number of men to guard the Beach Bottom settlement
for one month - and on the last day of August 1777
he was detached with the same number of men to guard
& defend a little fort at Wheeling on the Ohio River -
(Mr. E. K. Stone a Senator in Congress from this State informing
Seters then Proprietor of the Town of Wheeling to procure
the last mentioned service - which he filed in the department)
On the first of August 1779 Captain Samuel Seters
himself Lieutenant & Ensign William Biggs with sixty
non Commissioned Officers and privates volunteered in
the service of the United States & Mustered into service
under the command of Col. Daniel Broadhead he
does not recollect the names of the General or Field Officers

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 lived at a frontier Fort on the Waters of the Ohio about 30 Miles below Pittsburg during the war until the year 1796 - when I removed to the Kaskaskia River in the State of Illinois where I have lived ~~until~~ ^{latterly}. I have lived with a son in Law in this County where I now reside

4 How were you called into service? were you drafted or did you volunteer or were you a substitute & if a substitute for whom? on the requisition of Col. Gibson the several Companies were to furnish a quota of fallen & I volunteered.

5th State the name of some of the Regular Officers who were with the Troops where you served, General McIntosh Colonel Broadhead, Colonel Gibson, Captains Riggs Captain Samuel Brady & Captain Campbell

6th Did you ever receive a Commission & if so by whom was it signed, & what has become of it?

Answer, I received a Commission signed by Patrick Henry, Governor of Virginia - It is lost or misplaced with other old papers.

7th State the name of Persons to whom you are known in your Present Neighborhood & who can testify to your Character for Veracity? I think chief of you

as a Soldier of the Revolution. Answer, Benjamin Edwards (who insisted on my taking a Captains Commission in the last war while he was Governor of Illinois Territory) Elias H. Kane Senator in Congress, James W. Roberts, Enoch Moore General

James Bell and many others of this County.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court

this 3rd day of June A.D. 1833.

Henry Levens

October 5, 1937

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Honorable William L. Nelson
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

HENRY LEVENS
S. 32375
BA-J/MLB

My dear Mr. Nelson:

Reference is made to your letter of October 2, in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Henry Levens who, you state, was born in Baltimore County, Maryland, lived in Cooper County, Missouri, and Chester, Illinois, where he died in 1838.

No record could be found for a Henry Levens, identical with your description. You are furnished herein the only record found of a Henry Levens who served in the Revolutionary War. His record follows as found in pension claim, S. 32375, based upon his service in that war.

Henry Levens was born March 26, 1744; the place of birth and names of his parents are not shown.

While residing at a frontier fort on the Ohio River, about thirty miles below Pittsburgh, Henry Levens entered the service in 1776 and served at various times to the end of the war, amounting in all to fourteen months twenty-one days in Captain Samuel Teters' company, Colonel Silas Hedge's Virginia regiment, and under Colonels Daniel Brodhead and David Williamson. During these periods of service, he guarded settlements at Holiday's Cove, Mingo Bottom, Beach Bottom and a little fort at Wheeling on the Ohio River; assisted in the building of Fort McIntosh and another fort on Tuscarora River, went on expeditions against the Muncy Indians up the Allegheny River, the Mingo and Delaware Indians, also the Wyandotte Indians, and was in small skirmishes in which Indians were killed and their towns and crops destroyed. He stated that his service was rendered as a lieutenant.

No reference was made to the wife of Henry Levens and no names of children given. Henry Levens stated in 1833 that Ninian Edwards, while Governor of Illinois Territory, insisted on his taking a captain's commission in "the last war".

In 1796, Henry Levens moved to the Kaskaskia River in Illinois, thence to Monroe County, Illinois, and in 1828 was residing in Harrisonville, in that county.

He was allowed pension on his application executed June 5, 1833, at which time he was living in Monroe County, Illinois, with a son-in-law whose name he did not give. He was pensioned at the rate of \$49 per annum. He signed "Henry Levens".

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, the name and address of person paid and possibly the exact date of death of Henry Levens, you should write to the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, this city, and cite the following data: Henry Levens, certificate No. 19923, issued September 25, 1833, rate \$49 per annum, commenced March 4, 1831, Act June 7, 1832, Illinois Agency.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator