

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Joshua Bass R600

Priscilla

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State of North Carolina, Sampson County

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1845 Personally appeared before me John Colwell one of the acting Justices of the Peace and a member of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County, Priscilla Bass a resident of the aforesaid County and State aged 81 years who being first sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress passed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July 1838, 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 1843, and 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1844 for the benefit of Certain Widows of Soldiers of the Revolution.

That she is the Widow of the late Joshua Bass Deceased who served the United States in the War of the revolution about 12 months as a private Soldier in the North Carolina militia – that she can't now remember any of her Husband's officers except Colonel John Ash [sic, General John Ashe] and that he the said Joshua Bass, was under the said Colonel Ashe at the Battle of Briar Creek,

That she was married to the said Joshua Bass about 1784, in Wayne County North Carolina by Andrew Bass, Esq.

That her Husband the said Joshua Bass died in the month of July 1829.

In further Evidence of the said marriage having taken place prior to 1794 the declarant here with sence [sic, sends] here [sic, her] original record of her youngest Child (Isaac Bass) and that the said record is in the hand writing of Joel Bass a Brother of the said Joshua Bass, that she had four children born before the said Isaac Bass. The record of which is lost. That she is still a Widow.

Sworn to and subscribed on this the eighth of November 1845 before me.

S/ John Colwell, JP

S/ Priscilla Bass, X her mark

“Isaac Bass son of Joshua Bass and prissalla his wife was borned october the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day in the year of our lord 1793.

S/ Joshua Bass”

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On this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1850 before the undersigned Clerk & Master of the Court of Equity for said County & ex officio Commissioner of Affidavits personally appeared Rebecca Lamb a resident of said County aged sixty two years be 18<sup>th</sup> of next December & the third child of Joshua & Priscilla Bass which latter is an applicant for a pension on account of the services of her husband the said Joshua deceased who died the 20<sup>th</sup> of July 1830, who being first duly sworn according to law maketh oath that her Father the said Joshua according to tradition & common reputation was a soldier of the Revolutionary War, & served two tours she believes of four months each making eight months. The first tour was under Colonel Ashe an expedition to Briar Creek where the Americans were defeated. He was not in the action being in a detachment to work on a Bridge. She has heard her father state that the Americans were soon routed & put to flight & in crossing the River he saw one man drowned. He was 11 days in walking home – lived at that time in Wayne County N. C. He was a volunteer in his first service & drafted the second tour. He was paroled after the battle of Briar Creek & came home & soon after his return he was drafted for another tour perhaps for only three months, her information is it was four months, & believes that he marched the second tour to Charleston or near it – to Savannah & into Georgia.

S/ Rebecca Lamb, X her mark

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid & I certify that the affiant is well known to me is a credible person & entitled to full faith & credit.

Witness my hand & seal of office. S/ Patrick Murphy, CMC & Ex Officio Comr of Afts.