Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Strange S29087 Transcribed by Will Graves fn18SC 7/8/11

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Personally appeared before me J F Grimke Senior Associate Judge of the State of South Carolina James Strange, who being duly sworn deposeth & saith that he was enlisted by J. F. Grimke then Captain Lieutenant in the Regiment of Artillery & raised in the State of South Carolina, at Salisbury in North Carolina as a matross in said Regiment; that he enlisted sometime in the spring of 1776, & that he served 2 years in said Regiment, except a few days before his time expired, when he was sent on board a Brig named *Polly* – & commanded by Captain Anthony – who sailed with the *Randolph* which blew up at sea, when the vessel he was in returned into port: & that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support & that of his family.

Columbia

Sworn to before me this 26 April 1818

S/ J. F. Grimke, AJ

S/ James Strange, O his mark

I do certify that I enlisted a young man by the name of __ Strange at Salisbury in North Carolina I think sometime in the spring of 1776 & for 2 years being the period then limited & I believe that he served his time out or nearly so, though I do not recollect anything of the circumstances of his sailing on the expedition alluded to with the *Randolph*. — I knowledge also that I do not recollect to have seen him for many years past, & that he has grown totally out of my recollection, but from his mentioning of certain circumstances & facts I am induced to believe that he is the person I enlisted as above mentioned.

Columbia 26 April 1818

S/ J f Grimke formerly Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of artillery on the US establishment in South Carolina

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¹ John Faucheraud Grimke W11088

Schedule &c

South Carolina Columbia District In the Court of Equity

On this 24th day of February 1823 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the said district, James Strange, aged sixty-eight years resident in Richmond County and State aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, viz.: That he enlisted about the year 1776 (as well as he now recollects) in Captain James Mitchel's company of Artillery 4th Regiment Continental troops, Colonel Owen Roberts; and served therein as a matross for the space of two years during which time he was in several skirmishes with the enemy: and also served during the period of his enlistment as a Marine on board of the Privateer Brig *Polly*, Captain Ephraim Mitchel, in the service of the United States; and that he was regularly discharged in the City of Charleston South Carolina, but that from time and accident, he has lost all evidences of his said service.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

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2 cows	\$30.00
2 Pots	1.50
2 Tables of pine	2.00
1 Tea kettle	1.00
A small lot of crockery ware	1.00
1 pail and 1 Piggin	.50
1 Cart	6.00
1 Small bed	5.00
Wearing apparel	10.00
	\$57.00

And I do further declare, that I am a farmer by occupation, but from bodily infirmity I am unable to make a subsistence. That in the land whereon I live is the property of Middleton Glaze Esquire and is very poor; so that it would be impossible to raise sufficient provision thereof from without immense labor. That I have two small boys (my grandsons, whose parents are dead) living with me, and dependent upon made for support: and that I am in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support myself without the assistance of my country.

Sworn to, and subscribed in open Court on the 24th of February 1823 before me S/ Thomas T Willison S/ James Strange, O his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 26, 1818 for service in the South Carolina Continental line.]