Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Gray Samuel¹ W5989 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Virginia County of Caroline

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before William W Dickinson, Edmund Clark, Frank Bostwell [?], Richard Buckner [?] the Court of the County of Caroline now sitting Gray Samuel a resident of the said County of Caroline and State of Virginia aged seventy-four 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 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year '76 with Edward Waller and served in the second Virginia State Regiment under the following named Officers, Colonel William Brent commander of the Regiment, and Colonel Peter Muighlingburg [Peter Muhlenberg] Brigade, and left the service in January 1780, that he was discharged by Colonel Brent & Dabney at Alexandria. He resided in the County of King and Queen & State of Virginia when he entered the service, he entered the service as orderly Sergeant and served as such until he was discharged. He marched through Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and other parts of the Country which he does not now recollect

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Gray Samuel

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Caroline County and State of Virginia

Personally appeared before us William Harrison Junior and Daniel Turner – Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid George Walden² of the said County aforesaid and made oath that Grey Samuel was an orderly Sergeant in the second Virginia State Regiment commanded by Colonel William Brent, that he served one year at Williamsburg, in the State of Virginia, and then 2 years in the Army to the North at the Valley Forge under Brigadier General Muhlenberg in the Revolutionary Army, and that he the said Grey Samuel was legally discharged at the expiration

¹ BLWt31319-160-55

² George Walden S9521

of his enlistment by Major John Lee, and further this deponent saith not. Given under our hands this 14th day of May 1832

> S/ William Harrison, Junior S/ Daniel Turner

[f p. 18: On October 10, 1853 in Caroline County Virginia, Ann Samuel, 67, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Gray Samuel, a pensioner who served under Captain James Quarles in a company of Foot in the 2nd Virginia Regiment under Colonel William Brent and General Muhlenberg; that her husband was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum; that he departed this life the 8th of February 1835; that she married him July 10, 1817.]

[f p. 11: On June 27, 1855 in Caroline County Virginia, Ann Samuel, 67, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Gray Samuel a revolutionary pensioner who she says served in the company commanded by Captain James Quarles and was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum under the 1832 act; that she married him in King and Queen County June 10, 1816; that they were married by Robert B Sample a Baptist Minister; that her name prior to her marriage was Ann Pendleton; that her husband died at his residence in Caroline County February 8, 1835 and that she remains his widow.

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[f p. On March 10th, 1873 in Caroline County Virginia, Garland Samuel and Philip C Samuel filed an affidavit stating they are the sons of Ann Samuel widow of Gray Samuel; that she was a pensioner of the United States; that she died at her residence December 29, 1872 without having intermarried and still the widow of Gray Samuel at the time of her death.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 3 years in the Virginia Continental service.

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Addendum to Gray Samuel W5989

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 27 March 2021.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

City of Richmond

This is to Certify that Gray Samuell made oath before me Robert Mitchell mayor of said City that he was Enlisted by Edward Waller [R18768] then a Lieutenant in the year 1777 the 12th of January as a Serjeant in the Virginia line for three yrs & was discharged January 1780 by Major John Lee [VAS867] & that this Deponent had his discharge from him & it was either lost or mislaid so that this deponent did not make any use of it nor no one else for him Given under my hand this 3 Dec'r 1784.

A Copy Phiip Southall

Robert Mitchell Mayor

I do Certifie that to the best of my knowledge the within oath is just Given under my hand at Richmond this 8 day of Decem 1784

W Brent late Colo [William Brent VAS2639] 2 Virg'a S. Reg't

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