Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lemuel Glasgow R4056

Alsey Glasgow

f40NC

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State of North Carolina, Pasquotank County

On the 21st day of October 1833 personally appeared in Open Court, being the Superior Court of law and Equity for the said County of Pasquotank, Lemuel Glasgow a resident in the County of Randolph and the State aforesaid, aged Eighty 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 Acts of Congress passed the 18th day of March 1818 and 1st of May 1820 and 1st March 1823 – that he entered in the regular Army of the United States sometime in the year 1776 or 1777 under Captain William Goodman and Lieutenant William Ferebee of the 6th Regiment Colonel Lamb-- that he served one term of nearly three years, that he was in no particular engagement, acting principally during his service on scouting parties, and acted as a Scout, at the Surrender of Charleston South Carolina [May 12, 1780], that he obtained a regular discharge but which he has lost, and that the reasons why he has not sooner applied to Government for a pension are first his not knowing of the passage of the laws until about four years ago, nor knowing of any of his fellow Soldiers, who knew of his enlistment, and service were living having removed from the County of Pasquotank to the County of Randolph thirty-two years ago, and that was then only a short time since he ascertained that Ephraim Bright who enlisted at the same time, was the only person now living to prove his services.

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Lemuel Glasgow, X his mark

S/ Lemuel C. Moore, Clk

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Ephraim Brite¹ a resident of the County of Pasquotank age 79 years appeared in open Court, and after being duly sworn according to law, saith that the Statement of Lemuel Glasgow as herein by him made of his enlistment in the regular Army of the United States during the revolutionary war, is true to his certain knowledge, that he believes the Services rendered, as herein stated by the said Lemuel Glasgow, was by him performed, but that he the said Ephraim Bright, was marched in a different direction and left the Service much sooner than the said Glasgow.

Sworn & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Ephraim Brite, X his mark

S/ Lemuel C. Moore, Clk

And the said Lemuel Glasgow hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present, and declares his name is not on the pension [roll] of the agency of any State.

S/ Lemuel Glasgow, X his mark

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¹ No one with this or any similar name is listed as having filed for a pension for his revolutionary services.

State of North Carolina, Randolph County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions November Term 1833

On this 6th day of November A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, now sitting, Lemuel Glasgow, a resident of Randolph County, State of North Carolina, aged eighty 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, & served as herein stated, Viz.:

He states that he was born in Currituck County, North Carolina, & was removed while an infant to Pasquotank County same State: has no record of his age, but believes from a comparison of his age with that of others, & the other sources of information, that he was born in the year 1753 – lived in Pasquotank County up to the time he entered the service & after the revolutionary war until about the year 1803, when he removed into Randolph County, North Carolina, where he has resided up to the present time. He states that being quite an unlettered man, old & infirm of body & memory, he is quite unable to give a connected history of the events of his service, or the dates of those events. In the fall of the year 1776, he thinks, in the County of Pasquotank, he substituted in the place of one John Crawford of said County, who was drafted for nine months – went under command of Captain Holloway to head quarters in Halifax NC where he remained ten days, & went home on furlough: that about six weeks to the best of his recollection, thereafter he enlisted in the regular service, in Pasquotank County for three years under Colonel Gideon Lamb, and went to Edenton North Carolina under Captain William Goodman about Christmas 1776. He enlisted in the 6th Regiment [sic, Goodman was a captain in the 4th NC Regiment] – Colonel Lamb. From Edenton he was marched under Captain Goodman, through Kingston [sic, Kinston], Fayetteville & Elizabeth town in North Carolina to Charleston South Carolina, where he was placed under the command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln]: that they remained some small time at the place above mentioned on their march, drawing provisions &c: That he remained at, and near Charleston about the Space of three months – was marched up the Savannah River, about one hundred miles to a place called he thinks Pugasburg [sic, Purrysburg], headquarters. Here remained about twelve months or more (time not precisely recollected) engaged in various services: was repeatedly sent out on scouting parties – was in two skirmishes between the American & British Scouts – was sent to help cut a road in Georgia for military purposes. While at Purrysburg Captain Goodman was taken from his company & transferred to the light infantry, & his Company was divided and distributed amongst other Companies – but he (Glasgow) does not recollect who commanded the company he fell in; it was called the Colonel's Company.

Shortly after this he was sent with a body of three hundred men to reinforce Charleston – remained there two weeks and returned to Purrysburg: it was after this return, if his memory does not deceive him, that a battle was fought on the Savannah River at a Fort somewhere between Purrysburg & Charleston, between the Americans under General Lincoln, & the British, commander not known. He was not in the battle, being at the time lame & unfit for service. The Americans had sixty killed. This happened a short time before the surrender of Charleston, in the latter part of the spring 1780. After this skirmish he (Glasgow) with a body of one hundred men, was sent into Fort Moultrie, on an island near Charleston; that Charleston was threatened by the British Army, and expected to be taken; & the commander of the Company whose name he has forgotten, left the Fort & went into Charleston, telling them that Charleston was surrounded & expected to be taken, & that if he did not return in three days, that they might disband & shift for themselves, & make their escape. He with about fifty others did so -- & came home to North Carolina, having served two years & six months. He received no written discharge.

He further states that about the 7th of February 1782, he was drafted for three months, & entered the service under Captain John Stephens, in Colonel Harvey's [Thomas Harvey's] Regiment – was in no engagement – was stationed successively in the Counties of Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan &

Hertford & was discharged at Edenton, May 7, 1782 having served three months which discharge is herewith enclosed.

Recently ascertaining that Ephraim Bright was still living by whom he could prove a portion of his service he has accordingly obtained his certificate which is herewith enclosed – he knows of no one else by whom he can prove his service, & has no further documentary evidence of it. The whole of his service amounts to two years nine months & ten days.

He is known in his present neighborhood, & has been for many years to William Davis & John Pritchard, who can testify to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution. He states that there is no Clergyman who is well enough acquainted with his reputation for service to give the required Certificate –but that William Davis mentioned above is an exhorter in the Methodist Church. 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.

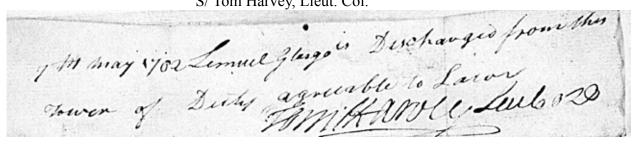
Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Lemuel Glasgow, X his mark

[William Davis and John Pritchard gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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7th May 1782 Lemuel Glasgow is Discharged from this Tower of Duty agreeable to Law. S/ Tom Harvey, Lieut. Col.



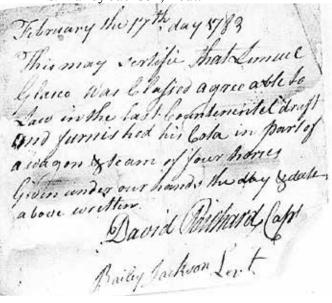
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February the 17th day 1783

This may sertifie that Lemuel Glasco was Classed agreeable to Law in the last Continental draft and furnished his Cola [?] in part of a wagon & team of four horses Given under our hands the day & date above written.

S/ David Prichard, Capt.

S/ Bailey Jackson, Leut.



- [p 8: On October 20, 1849, Alsey Glasgow filed for a widow's pension in Randolph County, NC, stating that she was then about 90 years old, the widow of Lemuel Glasgow, a pensioner of the US for his revolutionary services; that they were married in 1778 by a justice of the peace in Pasquotank County, NC; that he died 23rd February 1844. She signed her application with her mark.]
- [p 9: On October 20, 1849 in Randolph County North Carolina, Goshen Jennings made oath that he was born and brought up in Pasquotank County North Carolina; that he removed to Randolph County about 40 years ago; that he is now about 70 years old; that while living in Pasquotank, he lived within 2 miles of the residents of Lemuel and Alsey Glasgow; that they were universally recognized as man and wife back as far as he can remember; that he, the affiant, is about the same age as Miles Glasgow the 2nd child of Lemuel and Alsey. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]
- [p 33: On November 29, 1852 [& p 38 on May 2, 1854 & p 37: & on February 5, 1856] in Randolph County North Carolina, Martha Glasgow filed a power of attorney in which she refers to herself as the daughter of Lemuel and Alsey Glasgow. She signed these documents with her mark.]

[On May 27, 1856, in Randolph County, NC, Col. Isaac Lamb, 72, filed a claim saying he was the husband of one of the daughters (aged 70) of Lemuel and Alsey Glasgow; that his wife had two siblings older than her when she married him; that Alsey died January 20, 1850 and Lemuel died 23rd February 1844. [He never names his wife].]

[Other facts in the file: Lemuel was a pensioner at the rate of \$80/annum; that when Alsey (also spelled Alice) Glasgow died, she was survived by three children, Nancy, Martha & Feruba (also spelled Ferebee); that Col Isaac Lamb was appointed administrator of the estate of Alsey Glasgow; Lemuel and Alsey had a son named Miles who was their second oldest child.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina militia.]