Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Grant R4196 Transcribed by Will Graves f35NC 8/23/08 rev'd 9/23/15

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State of Tennessee, Jefferson County: SS

On this 5th day of March 1849 personally appeared before me David Grant an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Isaac Grant a resident of the County of Jefferson and State of Tennessee, aged about Eighty five 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 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he served as a private three tours under General Charles McDowell and Colonel Joseph McDowell that he served the first tour against the British the second tour he served in Captain Samuel Woods Company and marched from Berk [sic, Burke] County in North Carolina (where he resided when he entered the service each tour) to the Cherokee Nation on Tennessee River and marched to the different towns and was in several engagements with the Indians, in which several Indians were killed the third tour he served in Captain John McDowell's Company marched from Burke County North Carolina to the Cherokee Nation and through a portion of the nation on each side of the Tennessee River was in two or three engagements with the Indians killed several and took some prisoners and after he returned from the third tour he was engaged seven weeks at a garrison guarding the frontiers of North Carolina against the Cherokee Indians, and received pay for the last named service from John Carson who was the pay master. That he does not recollect the precise time when he entered the service nor dates when he left the same but recollects it was near the close of the revolutionary War when he was called into service. That he was drafted and served three tours on Horseback. That he cannot positively swear as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than nine months and for such service he claims a pension. That the reason why he did not make application before was that he had made an agreement with Richard Lanning to prosecute his claim who has neglected to attend to it.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

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 and year aforesaid.

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[Y. J. Morris, she clergyman, and D. J. Tribbue [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

When and in what year were you born?

Ans: From the best information I was born in Maryland, but do not know in what year. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans: I have never had any record of my age.

Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: I was living in Burke County in the State of North Carolina when called into service and have lived in Knox, Grainger and Jefferson and the State of Tennessee and now reside in Jefferson County Tennessee.

How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans: I was drafted.

Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans: I don't recollect of ever receiving any discharge. If I did they have been lost. 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans: The Rev'd Y. J. Morris and D. J. Tribbue.

I do hereby certify that Isaac Grant the above named applicant is unable from bodily infirmity to attend court.

S/David Grant, JP

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State of Tennessee, Jefferson County

On this 4th day of October 1850, personally appeared before me Edward B. Snoddy an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid duly authorized by law to administer oaths Isaac Grant of said County, aged about Eighty six years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statements (viz.)

That when he was about seven years of age he was bound by indenture to William Moore of Burke County in the State of North Carolina who was by that agreement entitled to his labor until he attained the age of 21 years consequently he considered him entitled to his wages for any service that he rendered in the Army during that time, and when there was a call for soldiers said Moore attended the drafts for him, to see that he was called into the service according to his turn, and that he believes that he Moore received his wages, in the form of specie certificates, as stated in the certificate of the Comptroller of the State of North Carolina which certificate is filed with his declaration and other papers in the war department, he further states that he served three tours, but does not recollect the length of either, nor which tour either of the above named certificates was intended to cover, and from the fact that he did not receive his wages himself he cannot tell what disposition was made of those certificates, he further states that the names of the officers under whom he served are correctly set forth in his original declaration.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

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[p 32] State of Tennessee Jefferson County

On this 28th day of December 1849 personally appeared before me David Grant an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid duly authorized by law to administer oaths, Isaac Grant of said County (an applicant for a Pension) aged about Eighty-six; who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement as the reason why he did not make earlier application for a pension.

That after the passage of an Act of Congress of June 7th 1832 he was under the impression that his services in the Revolutionary War would have to be proved by a witness who served with him, and had a personal knowledge of the same, and that he knew of no person living who served with him by whom he could make the proof that he believed the Act of Congress and the rules of the War Department would require. Consequently [he] declined presenting his Claim until about the year 1845 he was informed that the record in the Comptroller's Office of North Carolina would furnish evidence of the payments for any service that he may have rendered in the Militia of that State, at which time he made an agreement with Richard Lanning to prosecute his Claim, who neglected to present it which calls his delay until his present application.

Sworn to and subscribed

This 28th day of December 1849 before me S/ David Grant, JP

[p 23: On December 3rd, 1852 in Burke County North Carolina, John Penland, aged about 88, gave testimony that he lived a near neighbor to Isaac Grant in Burke County North Carolina during the time of the revolutionary war and always understood that said Grant was a soldier in said war even though the affiant did not serve with him. The affiant states that Isaac Grant was bound as an apprentice to the affiants father-in-law William Moore in Burke County North Carolina

¹ Probably the same man as **John Penland R8093**