

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Grissum (Gresham) S10205

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North Carolina

Richard Grissum

Private \$3.00

(Increased)

Degree of Disab^{ty} [Disability] Certified Total

Date of Certif [Certificate] of examin^s [examining] Surgⁿ [Surgeon] Nov. 8th, 1814

Inc'd [Increased] to \$8 by Law 3rd Mar. 1815

Comg [Commencing] 8 Nov. 1814

Duplicate Certificate

issued 29 Mar 1820 & sent to

the Hon. W. N. Edwards¹

House of Reps [Representatives] – from North Carolina

State North Carolina Granville County

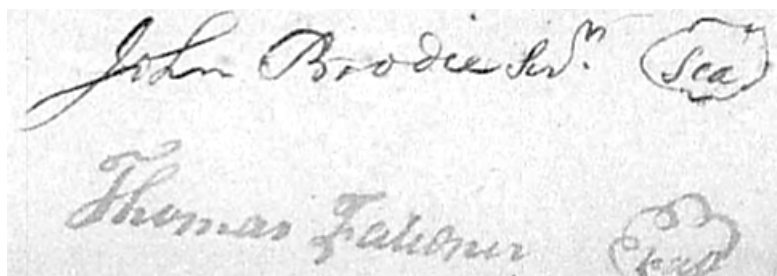
Agreeably to Directions from the Honorable Henry Palmer District Judge of the U.S. for North Carolina for the Examination of Richard Grissum of Granville County an Invalid pensioner we John Brodie and Thomas Falconer physicians of aforesaid County have carefully Examined the said Grissum's wound, which is on his Right Leg for at least Eight Inches long, a Constant Running Ulcer with a frequent exfoliation of both the Bones of his Leg so much so we Conceive as to Justly entitled him to a full Pension, and mostly deprives him of Manual Exertion Given under Our hands & Seals this 8th November 1814.

S/ John Brodie

S/ Thomas Falconer

¹ EDWARDS, Weldon Nathaniel, a Representative from North Carolina; born in Gaston, Northampton County, N.C., January 25, 1788; attended Warrenton Academy; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1810 and commenced practice in Warrenton, N.C.; member of the State house of representatives in 1814 and 1815; elected as a Republican to the Fourteenth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Nathaniel Macon; reelected as a Republican to the Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and Seventeenth Congresses, elected as a Crawford Republican to the Eighteenth Congress, and as a Jacksonian to the Nineteenth Congress; and served from February 7, 1816, to March 3, 1827; chairman, Committee on Expenditures in the Department of the Treasury (Eighteenth Congress), Committee on Public Expenditures (Nineteenth Congress); declined to be a candidate for reelection in 1826; returned to his plantation; member of the State senate 1833-1844; member of the State constitutional convention in 1835; again elected to the State senate in 1850 and chosen its president; president of the State secession convention in 1861; died in Warren County, N.C., December 18, 1873; interment in a private cemetery at his home, "Poplar Mount," about twelve miles from Warrenton, Warren County, N.C.

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Sworn to before me Henry Young one of the Justices of the peace for said County November 8, 1814.
S/ H. Young, JP

Application for a New Certificate

State of North Carolina Franklin County

On this 24th day of March 1820, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Franklin, personally appeared Richard Gresham who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Captain Peter Bennet [Peter Bennett] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Ramsy [Ramsey?] and Lieutenant Colonel Moore [Stephen Moore] in the service of the United States that he his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of North Carolina, that he received a certificate of that fact under the signature & seal of the Secretary of War (as he supposes) which certificate was about the 15th day of March 1818 he supposes and verily believes he placed in the hands of Mark Cook Esquire of the City of Raleigh who was at that time his agent acting under a power of attorney to procure for him his pension. But where the said certificate is now this deponent is entirely ignorant, and of which he can give no account. He further swears that he is a letter to and for which reason he is unable to state more fully and satisfactorily about it.

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Jno. D. Hawkins, JP

S/ Richard Gresham, X his mark²

² J. D. Lewis states that this veteran [listed by Lewis as Richard Gresham] was wounded at the Battle of Camden, August 16, 1780. http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc_patriot_military_privates_g.html & http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html