

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Gresham (*Greasham*) S16393 *f19SC*
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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832.

State of Georgia

Troup County

On the fourteenth day of January Eighteen hundred and Thirty three, personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court now sitting, the same being a court of record, David Gresham, a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Seventy seven years, who first being 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.

I entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in the state of South Carolina at York Court house, in the Militia under Captain Samuel Lasey [*Samuel Lacey or Lacy?*], Major Baker, his given name not recollected, Colonel David Hopkins, and General Lasey [*probably Col. Edward Lacey*] his Given name not recollected. That date, month, and day not recollected, but it was in cool weather, and to the best of my recollection, the time I entered the service of the United States was about four years before the battle fought at the Eutaw Spring [*September 8, 1781*], in South Carolina. From York Court house, we marched to the fish dam ford on Broad River. There we were in an engagement [*November 9, 1780*] with the Tories. From thence we marched into North Carolina, to a place called the Cowpens. We were then ordered out from thence by General Morgan [*Daniel Morgan*] against the Tories to a place called Mobley's settlement [Mobley's Meeting House] in South Carolina under Capt. Gray – his given name not recollected, from thence we marched down to the High Hills of Santee in pursuit of the Tories all *agreeable* to the order of General Morgan as before: from thence we marched back into North Carolina and joined General Morgan's army at which time we were discharged by General Morgan, which discharge I have lost, and when we returned home there was a call to go against the Tories when I volunteered under Captain Lasey, Major Baker, Collonel Hopkins, and General Lasey, and from that period, I was in Capt. Lasey's company who for about a year, had several scouts, after the tories, some times in South Carolina and North Carolina, until some time before the battle fought at Eutaw Spring, we joined General Green's [*Nathanael Greene's*] Army at Winsborough, South Carolina at that place and time there was a call for every Eleventh Militia man When 'my self' being one of the men called out to go against the Tories. When I was marched under Capt. Samuel Lacey on scouts up and down Broad river, when we took a number of Tories and brought them into Camp, and returned them over to Genl. Green, and who was kept on a scouts until the Battle was fought at Eutaw Spring. Then we were ordered to march and join General Green's Army at Charlston [*Charleston*], which we did. There we were discharged by General Green, which discharge I have lost. The full time I served in the United States was four years, or upwards. I never bore any commission in the service of the United States, but served all the time as a soldier.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed, this day and year aforesaid in open court.

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S/ Oliver P. Fears, Clk

We Henry Perkins, a clergyman, residing in the county of Troup and Nicholas Johnson residing in the same County, hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with David Gresham & [Horatio T Whitfield] who have subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be seventy seven years of age; and that he is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

Henry Perkins VDM

Nicholas Johnson

Horatio T. Whitfield

State of Georgia *Troup County SS*

On this the Twenty fourth day of June in the year Eighteen Hundred and Thirty *Three*, personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Inferior Court now sitting David Gresham a resident of said State and County, age Seventy Eight years old. 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 of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

Answer to the first Interrogatory – he was Born in the County of Halifax in the State of Virginia on the 15th day of June 1755

Answer to the 2d Interrogatory—He has no record of his age, only his memory.—His ? was by his father recorded, but said Records was after ward destroyed by the Tories.

Answer to 3 Int. he lived in the County of Fairfield in the State of South Carolina when I was called in to the Service of the United States, from thence to the County of Baldwin in the State of Georgia from thence to Jasper from thence to *Pike* County and from thence to the County of Troup. Where he now resides.

Answer to 4 Int. – he entered the service of the United States under Capt *Saml* Lacey, Col. Hopkins, Genl Lacey. Volunteered for 12 months but did not serve the whole time. The first term or expedition was under the above named officers – from the County of Fairfield in South Carolina against the Tories at a place called Fish Dam Ford on Broad River where we had an engagement with the Tories, from thence we marched to a place called the Mobley Meeting House, on Broad River which specified term of Service continued and lasted for the term and space of three months = the deponent was near there discharged by Genl Lacey – which has been lost or destroyed. This deponent does not now recollect what year it was or what day or month it was.

The Second Tour this deponent Volunteered under the command of Col. Hopkins, Capt. Lacey and rendezvoused at Winnsborough at the County of Fairfield in the State of South Carolina. This deponent was *sent out* under Captain Lacey after the Tories on the High Hills of the Santee and after the Battle of the Eutaw Spring *we* then again joined the Armeý under the command of the above named officers and from thence we marched to ? Charleston, South Carolina in pursuit

of the British and while at Charleston this deponent was discharged which discharge was signed by Capt. Lacey and Genl Lacey, this Second *Specified* term of Service lasted for the term of Three Months – the day month nor year not recalled by this deponent.

I hereby relinquish any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court

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David D Greasham
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We Henry *Perkins* a clergyman residing in the County of Troup and William W. *Carlisle* residing in the same County do hereby certify that we are now acquainted with David Greasham who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we Believe him to the Seventy Eight years of age and that he is reputed and believed in his *neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that aforesaid.*

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

S/ *Oliver Porter Fears*

S/ *Henry Perkins, V. D. M.*

S/ *William W Carlisle*

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]