Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cornelius Glasgow S1905 Transcribed by Will Graves f26NC 8/14/08 rev'd 8/30/15

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution, approved on the 15th day of May 1828, I Cornelius Glasgow, a Citizen of the County of Weakley and State of Tennessee do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the War, and continued in its service until its termination, at which period I was a private in Captain William Walton's Company, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Allen Ramsey of the Continental line, and also declare that I did not received a certificate for the reward of \$80, and the reason was owing to my being separated from my Company and Regiment on a detachment sent further northward the Main Army, at the time peace was made and the Main Army was discharged, before the Detachment to which I was then attached returned to join the Main Army, and I also declare that part of the Company to which I belonged did (afterwards as they informed me) receive the said certificate when the Main Army was discharged, who with the Main Army and they informed me that I was entitled to the same, but the officers having dispersed and gone home I could not obtain it; But I always understood and believe, that I was entitled to the said Certificate for the reward of \$80 according to the Resolve of Congress passed 15th March 1778; and I do also declare, that I was not on the 15th day of March A.D. 1828 on the pension List of the United States.

S/Wm Miles, JP

S/ Cornelius Glasgow

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an Act for the relief of certain surviving Soldiers and officers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828

I Cornelius Glasgow aged seventy-one years a citizen of the State of Tennessee do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution from the State of North Carolina for and during the war and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain William Walton's Company commanded by Allen Ramsey a Colonel of a Regiment in the Continental line – and I also declare that I did not afterwards received a certificate for the reward of \$80 under a resolve of Congress passed __ 1778 and the reason I did not receive said certificate was owing to my absence from the main Army with a detached party which detachment was detailed and sent from the main Army by the order of the officer commanding the main Army at the time of the discharge of the main Army, that I was after was informed that I should have receive said certificate (if I had rejoined the main Army before my officers had dispersed to their respective homes and do also further declare that I was not on the 15th of March 1828 on the pension list of the United States.

S/ Cornelius Glasgow, X his mark

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Before us Stephen Smart & John Shutts an [sic] acting Justices of the peace in and for the County of Weakley and State of Tennessee duly empowered to administer oaths personally appeared Isaac Hill Ward aged sixty-seven years of the County and State aforesaid who made oath that he knew Cornelius Glasgow by whom the foregoing declarations were subscribed during the Revolutionary War that he was in the Continental line from the state of North Carolina and that he does believe that the said declarations as therein stated are true. Witness & Sworn to and subscribed before us this 20th of February 1829

S/ Stephen Smart, JP

S/ J. Shutts, JP

S/ I H. Ward

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Revolutionary Claims Treasury Department, 16 May, 1829

Cornelius Glasgow of Weakly in the County of __ in the State of Tennessee has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Walton's Company, in the Colonel Ramsey regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department, Third Auditor's Office, May 19, 1829

It does not appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to Cornelius Glasgow in the North Carolina Line

It further appears that Cornelius Glasgow is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826——at the rate of ___dollars per month.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office 23 May 1829

The records of this office do not show that Cornelius Glasgow of the N. Ca. line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ E. Stephens

[The handwriting of the man who wrote the following application is extremely difficult to decipher: use the following with great care and circumspection.]

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[State of Tennessee, Weakley County

On this __ day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County now sitting holding said Court at the Courthouse in the Town of Dresden, Cornelius Glasgow aged 72 years a resident of said County 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.

He was born in the State of North Carolina in Currituck County in the year 1760, the month he does not recollect, having no record of his age to refer to, he only recollects that the record of family ages which is kept by his brother in Davidson County in this State, that he was born in that year.

In the year 1776, in the 16th year of his age he volunteered in that County, for five months to go a campaign to Charleston his Captain was James Phillips, his Lieutenant Samuel Cooper & Joel Asbil Ensign, who was taken prisoner at Briar Creek South Carolina, his Colonel Colonel Caswell [Richard Caswell], who lived somewhere in the upper part of North Carolina.

He rendezvoused in the fall of the year at Edenton in NC from thence we marched to Charleston in the vicinity of which at a place then called Moncks Corner, we stayed two weeks: from whence we marched to Briar Creek towards the Georgia line at which place the Army had a small skirmish with the British troops, in which we lost several killed, & some more taken prisoner; we were kept in that neighborhood sometime moving backwards & forward of & down the Creek, to prevent sickness in the Army, until we were discharged at the end of our time, & he returned home. There were some regular Officers & Soldiers out with us but I do not recollect their names – as we were not permitted to mix much with them.

In the spring of 1777, he volunteered again for three months to go on a tour to Northwest [?] in the State of Virginia somewhere about 30 miles South of Norfolk his Captain was the same that he went under before his Lieutenant John Sathe [?] and Samuel Farly Ensign his Colonel was Colonel Peter Dozier of Camden County NC we rendezvoused at Currituck Court house on the sea shore & marched to Luts [?] Creek in said County where we waited six days for the other companies & then marched to Northwest [?], and during the balance of the time we was engaged in scouting parties and guarding the sea board from the incursions of the British: there were no regular troops or officers with us except a Colonel Parker who as well as I recollect was called a regular Officer a mountain commander; he commanded two hundred Riflemen & two hundred musket men: General Gregory [Isaac Gregory] of Camden County North Carolina commanded us at that time: In the course of the campaign, we were [indecipherable word] called out by Colonel Parker [Parker Quince?] under expectation of a skirmish with the British: at which time he & General Gregory fell out & had a disagreeable quarrel. At the end of three months we were discharged & returned home; In the fall of the same year, he again volunteered to go a three months tour, under Captain Timothy Ewing of Currituck and Colonel Samuel Jarvis of the same County our company had no inferior [indecipherable word] officers being nothing but what was then called a Colonel's command to guard the coast. In this campaign we staid out one month; which we spent at North West in Virginia at the end of which we were discharged.

In the summer of 1781 as well as he now recollects a requisition was made for every 20th man in our County; he volunteered for an 18 months service, we rendezvoused at Winton North Carolina about three months after we turned out as volunteers which was owing to the fact that the due Bills of our militia officers would not be taken for provisions & transportation, in consequence of which we had to send for offices of the line, we were mustered into service & commanded by Captain William Walton a Continental officer: we soon joined our Regiment and were moved about from place to place, as we were ordered about, to protect the seaboard; and two interrupt the Tories. We were under the command

of Colonel [indecipherable name] of North Hampton [sic, Northampton] County North Carolina; who was not with us at any time: I do not know what Regiment Captain Walton belonged, or he might have been an officer commanding the State Troops, we had a Lieutenant Abner Lamb but no Ensign. We never were embodied, during this term but were engaged in Scouting parties in Gates Hartford [sic, Hertford] Counties, but principally in the latter we were most of our time engaged in pursuit of the Tories in the neighborhood of Croprends [?] in which County he does not now recollect, near to which was a strong Tory settlement. He was discharged from service two months before the 18-months expired. & the termination of the War—when he returned home.

I resided during the War or called my home in Currituck County from which I removed in about two years after the War to what was then called Davidson County in the Western Territory of North Carolina, now Sumner County, Tennessee, where I resided until 1825, when I moved[?] in December [?] of that year to Weakley County where I now reside Eight miles West of Dresden.

I rec'd a discharge every time and when I came to the West I expected to return & left them with all my other papers with my Brother in Currituck: on my return in about two years I found that my brother had destroyed them, having understood as he informed me that they never would be of any value to me:

I know of no person living by whom I can prove my services. I have no Documentary evidence of them. Isaac Walton of Sumner County knew me about that time, but did not serve with me. I was commanded by his Brother Capt. William Walton in my last campaign. I was a Sergeant in my Company during all my campaigns except the first one.

I am known in my neighborhood to Rev. Nathan L. Norvell, & Saml. A. Warner and a good many persons who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a Revolutionary Soldier.

He hereby relinquishes his every claim 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 & subscribed in open Court

S/ Cornelius Glasgow . Comling Glasgon-

S/Wm H. Johnson, Clerk

[James A. Warner and Nathan L. Norvill gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee, Weakley County

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace for said County, Cornelius Glasgow, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served no[t] less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; The first tour I served five months as a Sergeant. -- The Second tour in the year 1777 I served three months again in the grade of a Sergeant. The third tour I volunteered for three months, but served but one, this time I was a Sergeant again. -- In the year 1781 on my fourth tour I served, as a Sergeant, in the field 12 months – This campaign closed my service and for such service I claim a pension.

 $$\rm S/\,Cornelius\,\,Glasgow,\,X$ his mark Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29^{th} day of April 1833

S/ Dennis Cochran, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$105 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 21 months in the North Carolina militia.]