Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Grisham (Gresham) S21246 Transcribed by Will Graves f14SC

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State of South Carolina, Chester District: SS

On this fourth day of April in the year while Lord 1833, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting for the District of Chester in the State aforesaid, Moses Grisham, a resident of said District of Chester in State aforesaid, aged seventy-four 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States, in the year 1779, to the best of his recollection with Captain William Dogged [sic, William Doggett also spelled William Doggart] and served in the sixth Regiment of the Continental line under the following named officers. William Dogged was the Captain under whom he served, and Joel Dogged [sic, Joel Doggett or Doggart] was the 1st Lieutenant in his Company. The Regiment was commanded by Colonel Henderson [William Henderson]. That he left the service at the time that peace was made; That he resided in the State of South Carolina, Chester District when he first entered the service; That he enlisted for the term of three years or during the war, and as well as he can recollect, the third year of his term of service had not expired when peace was made; That he was at the battle at Stono [June 20, 1779]¹ and was wounded in the left shoulder in that battle, and that Captain William Dogged was killed in the same battle. That when he first enlisted he marched to the City of Charleston from Chester District, and after remaining in that city for some time he went to Haddrell's Point where he was stationed for some months, and again returned to Charleston, and marched from that city to Purrysburg and after remaining there for some months, he marched to Stono, where he was in the battle. He afterwards again marched to Charleston. That he received no regular discharge at the time peace was declared, in consequence of his being at that time confined with the smallpox.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid,

Sworn in Open Court.

S/ Moses Gresham, X his mark

S/R. Gantt

S/ J. Rosborough, Clk

Interrogatories put to Moses Grisham who has made & sworn to the foregoing declaration in order to obtain a pension

Ans. to Int. 1st I was born in the State of Virginia but does not know that County being so young

¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html

when he left there. I have been told & from what I find out I am about Seventy-four years of age & must have been born in the year 1759.

Ans to 2nd I have no record of my age

Ans to 3rd I was living in Camden District South Carolina now Chester District South Carolina have lived in said place ever since the War and still live there except two years on New River State of Virginia

Ans to 4th I was enlisted in Captain William Dogged's Company Joel Dogged Lieutenant sixth Regiment Colonel Henderson

Ans to 5th Colonel Henderson, General Sumter [Thomas Sumter], General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], Pulaski when he enlisted marched to Charleston South Carolina from thence to Haddrell's Point from there to Charleston & thence to Purrysburg thence to Stono & was at the Battle of Stono where by Captain William Dogged was killed where I myself was wounded by a grape shot.

Ans. to 6th I never did receive a discharge being bad with the smallpox I never joined the Army after September the war being over

Ans. to 7th Robert Meek, David Thomas, Henry Carter, Andrew Egger, Colonel Greene B. Colvin, Edward Mobley.

Sworn to & subscribed the above in open Court

April 4th, 1833

S/ Moses Gresham, X his mark

[James L. Wright, a clergyman, and Nicholas Colvin, Sr. gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

South Carolina, Chester District: SS

On this fourth day of April in the year of our Lord 1833, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas now sitting in the District of Chester William Cockrill, a resident of said District, in the seventy sixth year of his age, who being duly Sworn according to law, on his oath saith, That he was well acquainted with Moses Grisham who has Subscribed and Sworn to the foregoing declaration, during the Revolutionary War; That he knows of his own knowledge that he was in the United States Service as a private soldier in said war, saw him in said service in the City of Charleston, South Carolina, for some time but does not recollect how long, he believes said Moses Grisham was a volunteer and enlisted with Captain Dogged in the Sixth Regiment commanded by Colonel Henderson. That the said Moses Grisham is reputed and generally believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution; and that he is a man of good character and veracity.

Sworn in Open Court

S/ William Cockrill, X his mark

S/ J. Rosborough, CCPS

[p 14: there is a letter dated July 23rd, 1838 from J. Roxborough of Chester Village to J L Edwards requesting that the papers in the case of Isabella King and Martha Grisham be returned to Peter Wylie the judge of Ordinary. The relationship, if any, of Martha Grisham to the veteran is not stated

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

² William Cochrill (Cochrell) S39349