Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Frederick Gray S21779
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South Carolina, Abbeville District

On this twenty fifth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Richard Gantt Judge of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting for the District of [Abbeville] in said State, Frederick Gray, a resident of Abbeville District & Said State of South Carolina, aged Seventy-four years, who 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 the 7th of June, 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That he entered the service as a militia man under Captain John Lindsay, and as a Substitute for, or and lieu of, John Galmon, in the Regiment of Colonel Liles [Lt. Col. John Lisle a/k/a John Liles] in the Florida expedition, which was commanded by General Williamson [Andrew Williamson]. That he entered the service on or about the year A.D. 1777, and marched to Alligator Bridge in Florida -- & there had a scrimmage with some British & Indians: returned back this side of Mary's [St. Mary's] River to the Main body & was discharged.

That he next returned to the service under the command of the same officers & marched to Liberty Hill in South Carolina, and remained there a considerable time; -- was detached with a company to a placed called Galphin's & was stationed there for some time: -- was then discharged and came home. After the British took Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780], he was then constantly out, & was appointed a Captain of a company by Colonel Lindsey [Lt. Col. John Lindsey], to range Bush River; -- That he was wounded & taken prisoner & carried to the Congaree Fort, and was there retaken by Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] & Colonel Liles.

That he was in the service from first to last, about the space of six years: -- That he was born in South Carolina, & has resided in that State ever since.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any State, or Agency of any State.

That he has no documentary evidence in his possession, nor does he know of any person except Robert Tolbert (who has testified) that would testify to his service besides.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

S/ Jas. Wardlaw, Clk

Owner to Gray

[Hugh Dickson, a clergyman and Robert Tolbert gave the standard supporting affidavit; "and further, I Robert Tolbert to certify that I was in the service with the said Frederic Gray."]

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South Carolina Abbeville District

Frederick Gray of the said District & State aforesaid, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following supplementary Declaration to the one made on the fifth of October 1832, and in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress 7 June 1832.

4th Objection in red Ink

See the periods of the war in the accompanying certificate of the Comptroller General of this State &c which he declares to be correct.

5th Do In addition to the 14 months & a half mentioned services under Captain Walters [sic, Philemon Waters] I was three months in the service on the line in or near Charleston, the time of the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779], under Colonel Baird.

I was in active service as stated in the former Declaration four years & six months in addition to the above, which embraced nearly the whole period of the war -- four years at least

6th Do -- Captain John Lindsey, Colonel Liles, that General Williamson, Colonel Lee & Colonel Baird &c

14th Do See the accompanying certificate of the Magistrate William G. Black Esquire Intg Do

2nd he has no record of his age

4th he entered as a substitute for one John Galman

5th See above 6th

6th Has received no written discharge that he remembers

7th Robert Tolbert (who testifies) George McDuffie, James Wardlaw, Clerk of the Court & many others -- Doctor Eli L. Davis (now at Washington City).

S/ Fred'k Gray

Sworn to before me October 3, 1833

S/Wm C. Black, JP

The Applicant further states that he received from Colonel Waters a scrap [sic] or certificate, and the nature of a commission, (regular commissions not then being in use or practice) which he received but has no recollection whatever what became of it: and that he can produce no other evidence of his service than what is here given.

S/ Fred'k Gray

Sworn to before me October 3, 1833

S/Wm C. Black, JP

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South Carolina, Abbeville District

Personally came before me Robert Tolbert¹ and on being duly sworn says he was well acquainted with Frederick Gray & that he knows of his own knowledge that the said Frederick Gray served in the Revolution as a Captain of a Company of Rangers under Colonel Lindsay --

¹ No one by this or any similar name is listed as having filed for a federal pension for services in the Revolution.

he believes that the said Frederick Gray was in the Revolutionary War for some length of time -- after this Deponent was with him.

Robert Tollert

S/ Robert Tolbert

Sworn to before me October 25, 1833 S/W. C. Black, JP

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Office of Comptroller General

Columbia 15 May 1833

I certify that it appears from the Books, and documents on file in this Office, that on the 4th day of March 1786 an Indent was issued in favor of Frederick Gray for ninety Six pounds eleven shillings and five pence sterling for 44 days duty as Lieutenant of Horse from 14th February to 4th May 1779 both days included, 131 days do as a Horseman from 17 January 1780 to 20 June 1780 both days inclusive, 188 days do as do from 21 June to 25th December 1781 both days inclusive, 44 days do as do from 20 May 1781 to 15 March 1783, and for 32 days do as Captain of Horse from 22nd May to 22 June 1782 both days inclusive. The above services performed in Colonel Waters's Regiment & discharged by Indent

S/ Tho. Harrison Comp. Genl. of So. Car.

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South Carolina Abbeville District: November 6th, 1833

I Frederick Gray of the District and State aforesaid, having applied for a pension under the late act of Congress And having established only to the amount of \$260 and being unable to procure further proof of the remainder of his services:

I do hereby abandon and relinquish all claim to the remainder of my alleged services; And am willing to accept a Certificate of \$260 as tendered by the Department of War

In testimony whereof I have hereunto put my hand & Seal

S/ Fred. Gray

[p 7: Statement in the file: On April 21, 1859, I. F. Marshall of Mobile Alabama stated that his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Marshall was the only surviving child of Frederick Gray.

[could be J. F. Marshall]]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$260.01 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 3 months, a Lieutenant for 13 months and 12 days and a Captain for one month and 24 days in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts² relating to Frederick Gray

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² The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name"

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No. 102

[No. 1795 Book X]

Frederick Gray for 44 days duty as Lieut. of horse from 14th February to 4th May 1779 both days included, 131 days do as Horsemen from 17th January 1780 to 20th June 1781 both days inclusive 188 days do as do from 21st June to 25th December 1781 both days inclusive 44 days do as do from 26th May 1781 to 15th March 1783 & for 32 days do as Captain of horse from the 22nd May to 22nd June 1782, both days inclusive at 70/ [70 shillings old South Carolina currency] per day

Charged [old South Carolina] Currency £559

Add on 1st charge 36 days

at 45/per day £81

Due on do more in

extension 11

due on 2nd do 25

days at 20/ 25

117 £676

Stg. [Sterling] £96.11.5

Ex^d. J. M^c. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

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The State of South Carolina

To Frederick Gray Dr.

To 44 Days duty as Lieutenant of Horse from

the 14th February to the 4th May 1779 both

days included per pay Bill of Capt.

Isaac Morgan Certified per Major Gordon [Thomas Gordon] £88

add more £11

To 131 Days Duty as Horsemen from

25 days more

17 January 1780 to 20 June 1781 both

days included per pay Bill of

Capt. John Lindsey & Certified

per Col. Waters [Philemon Waters] at 20/

To 188 Days Duty as Horsemen from

21 June to 25 December 1781, both days

included per pay Bill of Captain Thomas Lindsey

certified per do 188

To 44 Days Duty as do from 20^{th} May

1781 to 15th March 1783

pay Bill of Captain Jeremiah Williams

Certified per do 44

To 32 Days Duty as Capt. of Horse

from the 22nd May to 22nd June 1782 both Days included per my own pay Bill – Certified Major Kelley at 67/6

add more 80/

 $\frac{108}{£558}$ Stg. £79.17.1 3/4

Waters Regiment

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Received 4th of March 1786, full Satisfaction for the Within in an Indent No. 1795 – X – per order

S/ John Lindsey



September 24th 1783 Received of Richard Speake & Co full Satisfaction for my Publick Accounts which is Returned into the Auditor's Office in Charles Town for the Amount of Five Hundred and Eighty one Pounds Currency and Do Request that a Treasury Indent may issue to said Speake or his Assigns as witness my hand

S/ Frederick Gray



S/ Jno Wooddall

John Blalock approved the above handwriting of Frederick Gray this 12th July 1785 before me S/ Thomas Hale, JP

[p 8: Printed form of Indent No. 1795 Book X]

[p 9: Reverse of the above Indent.]