Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Ives S38863 Transcribed by Will Graves

f17VA 1/29/14

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Tennessee 2nd Judicial Circuit

On this first day of June 1818 before me the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts of the State aforesaid, personally appears Thomas Ives aged about fifty-seven years, resident in Knox County in the State aforesaid, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" that he the said Thomas Ives enlisted in Portsmouth in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Drury Ragsdale of the first Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colonel Charles Harrison; that he continued in the service of the United States in said Corps until sometime in July or August of the year 1780 having remained in service about three years, when he was discharged from service near Richmond in the State of Virginia, which discharge he has since lost; that he was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Stony Point [July 16, 1779], on Staten Island [August 22, 1777], and many skirmishes; and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

S/ Thomas Ives, X his mark

Schedule

State of Tennessee Knox County: SS: July Sessions 1820

On this 3rd day of July 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said state) for the said County, Thomas Ives aged 59 years, resident in the County of __ aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: That he served in the Army of the United States in the company of Captain Drury Ragsdale of the first Regiment of Artillery under Colonel Charles Harrison of the Virginia line having enlisted in the summer of 1777 and served until July or August 1780 about 3 years.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities,

contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. That is –

3 basons, filed plates, one pot, one frying pan, one chair & 3 stools, 1 cup, 2 or 3 knives & forks, and 3 or 4 spoons, & one jug – [indecipherable]¹, some water vessels – and nothing else now recollected except a Big Wheel & Little Wheel with a pair of cards. The Applicant further states that his family consist of himself & wife nearly his own age – and three children, one boy about 12 or 13 years old, & 2 girls one about 16, and the other some younger, those of his family able to do so generally hire out and work in their own support. This applicant has never yet got a pension certificate, although he made his original Declaration June first 1818, which is here with returned.

Sworn to in Open Court 3rd July 1820

S/Thos. Ives, X his mark

[p 7]

I James Hines do hereby certify that a man by the name of Ives was in the Army of the Revolutionary war in the service of the United States and I have reason to believe that Thomas Ives of Knox County in the state of Tennessee is the same man from circumstances which he has related to me which he could not have known except he had been a soldier there.

S/ James Hines

Garage Com

[Acknowledged in Grainger County Tennessee September 30, 1819]

[p 14]

State of North Carolina Currituck County: July 6, 1825

This day came before me Thomas Whitehall one of the Justices in and for the County aforesaid Charles Griggs planter of the County aforesaid and made oath on the Holy evangelists of Almighty God that he was well acquainted with Thomas Ives before and in the Revolutionary War and that he was in two battles with said Ives one at Stony Point and the other at Monmouth the deponent further saith that Thomas Ives enlisted in April 1777 under Colonel Charles Harrison Commander of artillery and that the said Ives was discharged according to the best of his knowledge in the year 1780.

S/Charles Griggs²

[p 16]

State of North Carolina Halifax County: July the 20th 1825

This day came before me Wood J. Hamlin one of the Justices in and for said County Rheubin Griffis /Turner by trade/ and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that

our and daha

² Charles Griggs S6933

he was well acquainted with Thomas Ives in the time of the Revolutionary War, that he enlisted under Colonel Charles Harrison in the first Regiment of the Continental Artillery Drury Ragsdale Captain, sometime in the year 1777 – and that the said Ives served about 3 years & was discharged at Petersburg Virginia in the year 1780, This deponent further saith that he served in the said Regiment & in the same company and was orderly Sergeant of the said Company, part of the time that the said Ives served in.

S/ Ruebin Griffis³

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 22nd, 1825, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

-

³ FPA W7601 Reubin Griffis