Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elisha (Elijah) Grant S41587 Transcribed by Will Graves f7NC 8/23/08 rev'd 9/22/15

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State of North Carolina, Wayne County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this 21st day of February 1822 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for the County of Wayne, Elisha Grant aged Sixty-eight years a resident Citizen of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said Elisha Grant enlisted for the term of three years in the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Simon Bright in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Patton in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until he was discharged from the said service in Philadelphia, after which discharge and after the lapse of about six months he again enlisted in the Company commanded by Abraham Sheppard [Abraham Sheppard, Junior] Captain, and the 10th Regiment of the North Carolina line of the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Abraham Sheppard, for the Term of three years, and after being marched by Captain Sheppard to Valley Forge he there enlisted under Lieutenant John Davis in Captain Benjamin Williams company (for during the War). That he was in the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and at the Battle at Charleston in South Carolina [probably the Siege of Charleston terminating in the surrender of Charleston on May 12, 1780], and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Service -- And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 other wise 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

Schedule of Property

One Bed & furniture, two iron pots, one woolen wheel, one linen wheel, one tub, one pail, one ax & two hoes

Sworn to and declared on the 21st day of February 1822 – declarant is by occupation a farmer, but is afflicted by Rheumatism. He has a wife forty-three years old -- & three children living with him Viz a girl Smithy fifteen years old—a boy Stephen thirteen years old & a girl Harriot twelve years old.

Sworn to & declared on 21 February 1822.

S/P. Hooks, Clk

State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office 24th of April 1822

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that the name of Elisha Grant does not appear on the muster rolls of the North Carolina Continental line in the Revolutionary

war, the name of Elijah Grant appears as a private in Captain Shepard's Company of the 10th Regiment mustered 20th August 1777 for three years or the War. Prisoner 7th of June 1779, mustered again November 1779, which is all that is said of him and said Rolls.

It is believed that the applicant Elisha Grant of Wayne County is the person who performed the service stated to be performed by Elijah Grant, and that an error was committed and spelling the name. Given under my hand the date above.

S/Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing February 21, 1822 for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]