## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Joseph Gibson S8562 Transcribed by Will Graves f16NC 8/7/08 rev'd 8/17/15

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State of North Carolina, Rowan County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1832 On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Order Sessions for the County of Rowan now sitting Joseph Gibson a resident of said County & State aged between eighty-three & eighty-four years who being first 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<sup>th</sup> 1832. -- That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated. The said Joseph Gibson declareth that he entered the service as a militia man in December 1779 & served for three months in General Lillington's [John Alexander Lillington's] Brigade of North Carolina Militia under Andrew Hampton as Colonel & Richard Graham as Captain, and that he was discharged at Charleston South Carolina on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 1780, & for the truth of this Statement, he herewith sends the certificate of Andrew Hampton Colonel. The said Joseph Gibson further declares that he again entered the service as a militia man some time in the month of January 1781 & served six weeks in a company commanded by said Richard Graham, in Col. Williams [Joseph Williams'] Regiment which said party of militia were ordered on & were under the command of General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] in opposing the passage of the British Army over the Catawba [River], That he belonged to the party that was stationed at the Tuckaseegee Ford on said River. The British crossed [February 1, 1781] higher up, at which place General Davidson was killed. He was then marched in pursuit of the British Army to the Shallow Ford of the Yadkin [River] at which point they crossed, & from thence to on near Guilford Court House & on towards Hillsboro all in said State of North Carolina & for the truth of the foregoing statement, the certificate of Richard Graham Captain is herewith sent. He further declares that he again entered the service as a militia man September 14, 1781 under the command of William Bell Captain – Francis Locke being the Colonel & General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] commander of the brigade & served until discharged on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December 1781 & for the truth of this statement he here with sends the certificate of William Bell Captain. Whilst in the service last mentioned, he was marched from Rowan to the neighborhood of Wilmington North Carolina there being a party of the British there at that time. He states that he was born in Ireland, but emigrated to this country when about 16 years of age & that he has lived in Rowan County ever since. The memorial of his birth have been lost, but he has no doubt that his age is as stated above – Upon further reflection he states that he is not certain as Colonel Locke's being the Colonel & if he was not, the Colonel he cannot at this day remember who the Colonel was, but he avers most solemnly that he performed the service. He further declares that he was a volunteer & served under Captain John Johnson [John Johnston] in the militia that went from North Carolina to oppose the British in South Carolina -- & that he was at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] being a part of the advance Guard, General Rutherford having the command of the Brigade & he was

<sup>1</sup> William Lee Davidson was killed at Cowan's Ford on February 1, 1781.

also a volunteer under said Rutherford in an expedition against the Tories at Ramsour's Mill in the now County of Lincoln & they reached the ground shortly after the battle was fought [June 20, 1780]. He believes that the aggregate of service performed in these two expeditions was at least three months. He never received any certificate of service in these two cases & have no way of proving the same save by general reputation & his own oath. His comrades being all dead or removed. He further states that he is not a pensioner of any State & will claim none except under this Act.

S/ Joseph Gibson

Brillian Gibson

[George Smith, John Brandon & Thomas Smith gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

1781

This may Certify that Joseph Gibson Entered into Service September  $14^{\rm th}$  and is discharged December  $8^{\rm th}$  pr me Wm Bell



March 10<sup>th</sup> 1781

This is to Sertify that Joseph Dickson Served six weeks in my Company under the Command of Colonel Williams.

Sertified by me

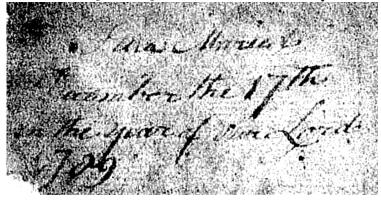
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This is to Certify, that Joseph Gibson has faithfully served out his Tour of Duty of three months, in General Lillington's Brigade, to the southward. Given under my hand at Charleston, this Twenty fourth day of March 1780.

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I was Maried [married] December the 17<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1789



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.10 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 6 days in the North Carolina militia.]

Note: Other than what appears to be the notation of the veteran's marriage transcribed above, this file contains no family data.