Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John William Grayson ¹ W21474 Susan Joyner² f50SC Transcribed by Will Graves 9/26/08 rev'd 10/12/15 & 10/15/21

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[p 8] State of South Carolina, District of Beaufort

On this 21st day of April 1843 Personally appeared before me, Mrs. Susan Joyner, widow, formerly widow of John Grayson deceased, a resident of Beaufort in the District of and State aforesaid, Aged 71 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the acts of Congress passed July 7th 1838, and the 23rd of August 1842, granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the revolutionary war, that, she is the widow of John Grayson who was then Ensign and Lieut. in Colonel Roberts' [Owen Robert's] Regiment of Artillery South Carolina line and served therein under arms as Deponent believes two years during the war of the revolution, Deponent says she can not name the places at which he served, but she has reason to believe that he served wherever of the Regiment served from the beginning of the year 1777 to the surrender of Charleston in May 1780 [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780], when he was made a prisoner of war, and so detained until he was regularly exchanged. Deponent refers for these services to the record of the Bounty land, and Commutation pay paid him on account of said Services, and to the proof hereto annexed, She also declares that, she was married to the said John Grayson on the 9th day of October 1787 and that her husband the aforesaid John Grayson died on the day of September 1797. That, she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to 1 January 1794, viz., at the time above stated. She further declares that after the death of her husband aforesaid, she was married to William Joyner on the day of September 1798 -- that he died on the 24th day of December 1834 and that she is still a widow. Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before S/ Jno M Baker, Magistrate

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I certify that the following record is on the Public Register of St. Helena Parish viz. "Grayson William John, son of John and several, married by the Reverend Mr. Lewes, 9th

² former widow

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October 1787 to Greene Susannah."

S/ Thos. O. Barnwell, Warden St. Helena church Beaufort Jos. R. Walker, Rector

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State of South Carolina Beaufort District

This is to Certify that I have examined the Bible containing the Registry of the Marriages births & deaths of the Family of John Grayson deceased in the possession of Mrs. Susan Joyner of the Town of Beaufort and found therein that John Grayson and Susan Green were married on the 9th day of October in the year of our Lord 1787 and that the said John Grayson died on the __ day of __ in the year 1797; also that the said Susan afterwards to wit on the __ day of September in the year 1798, intermarried with William Joyner and that the said William Joyner departed this life on the 24th day of December in the year 1834, leaving the said Sarah Joyner surviving him.

S/ Jno. M. Baker Magistrate

[Facts in file: p 4: William J. Grayson applied on March 17, 1826 for bounty land on account of his father's Revolutionary war services; applied on behalf of himself and the other heirs at law (not named) of his father; he was granted 200 acres of land;

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The veteran's widow died March 4, 1854.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$400 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as a Lieutenant of Artillery in the South Carolina line.]

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[p 2: Printed form of indent No. 274 Book C dated March 26, 1784 "delivered to Lieut. John Grayson of the Artillery this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Four hundred and Twenty six pounds Seventeen Shillings and Seven Pence Sterling for his pay & subsistence to the 1st January 1782 & for his additional State pay to the 28th October 1782 per Certificate from the Auditor General."]

[p 4: Reverse of the above Indent bearing only the following information:

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S/ James Neilson

S/ Cornelius Dupont

³ 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" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.