

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Isaac Gregory R4293

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State of Tennessee } August Session of the County Court 1832
Sumner County }

On this the 21st day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of s'd. Court now sitting Isaac Gregory a citizen of the County of Sumner and state of Tennessee aged 75 the 6th day of November 1832 who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following decleration in order to obtain the benfit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

He states that he was born in the County of New Kent in the state of Virginia in the year 1757. He has a record of his age at his residence in the County of Sumner. He was residing in the County of Pittsylvania in the State of Virginia where he resided after the Revolutionary war until he removed to the state of Tennessee in the County of Sumner about 27 years since where he now resides. He was drafted into the service in the year 1781 and served under the following named officers as herein stated.

He served for a tour of three months as a drafted malitia man in a company commanded by Capt William Dicks [sic: William Dix] in an expedition to Guilford Court House in the State of North Carolina, and was in an engagement at that place [Guilford Courthouse] which was fought on the 15th day of March 1781 – after the battle of Guilford the company to which he was attached pursued the enemy until they crossed Deep River at Ramseys Mills. The enemy at this place made their escape by throwing a bridge constructed of polls at the falls over the River during the night. His term of service having now expired he was discharged as he thinks by Capt William Dicks, which discharge has been lost. He was commanded at the battle of Guilford by Gen Stevenson [sic: Edward Stevens, Militia General] who was wounded during the engagement and he was then commanded by Gen Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, Commander-in-Chief].

In the month of July of the same year he was commanded by the commissary General to collect and have in readiness a quantity of beef cattle, which order was executed and the cattle to the number of 100 was driven to little York. He was engaged in this service for the term of four months which was to be considered as a tour of duty as a soldier for that length of time. He received from the officer who had ordered him out on this service a discharge, which was given by Major John Buckley. This discharge has also been lost or mislaid.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not not on the roll of the agency of any state. Isaac hisXmark Gregory

State of Tennessee } 15th day of May A.D. 1833
Sumner County }

Amended declaration of Isaac Gregory of the County & State aforesaid who is an applicant for pention under the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832 who is aged & so infirm that he cannot attend Court; who being duly sworn upon the holy Evangelist of Almighty God before me Thomas Anderson a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, upon his oath makes the following statement to the several queries marked in the negative in the objections to the admission of pention claims which accompanies these papers

To the fourth query he states he was drafted for a three months tour of duty in the year 1781 & served as stated in his first application in August last for a pention. his second tour of service in which he was engaged in collecting beef cattle for the army commenced in July of the same year, 1781 to the best of his belief & present recollection.

To the fifth query he states that in the first tour spoken of he served six weeks, and was then discharged, at which time General Green stated that in consequence of their service having been severe it should stand for a three months tour of duty; in this service applicant served about four weeks as a foriage

master & the balance of the time as a quarter master. applicants second & last service was four months at least, during all which time he was engaged in collecting cattle as before stated.

To the sixth quere he states, that in the first tour spoken of his Captain was William Dicks, the names of the Lieutenant Ensign &c. he does not now recollect; applicant has also forgotten the names of his superior officers except Gen'l. Stevenson who commanded the regiment to which applicant was attached at the battle of Guilford Courthouse before spoken of where he Stevenson was wounded; after which applicant was commanded by Gen'l Green as before stated.

to the thirteenth query he states

He has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no person in this State by whome he could prove actual service, he is old verry infirm & for the last three years been unable to walk, he has often conversed with his neighbours in this Country respecting his services in the revolutionary war; and with Capt'n. William McCall to whome he has lived near neighbour for more than twenty years last past, he has conversed more on that subject than perhaps with any other person. With Elisha Vaughan applicant was acquainted in Virginia & for upwards of twenty years in this Country, with him also applicant has conversed on the same subject, but neither of those gentlemen can prove actual service Mr. Vaughan being too young. The two last mentioned are the same that gave a certificate for me in my application for pension in August last, Mr. Vaughan being a Clergiman.

In his last service Applicant considered himself as entering the service as a drafted malitia man & was discharged as such to the best of his belief, although he was not actually drafted; but undertook said service at the request of the commissary general and was to receive credit as a malitia soldier for the time I might serve. Applicants business was to contract for & collect cattle as before stated

Isaac hisXmark Gregory

NOTE: Gregory's claim was rejected because he did not serve the minimum of six months.