

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Gray S1822

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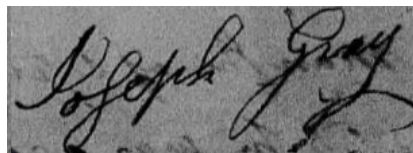
State of Tennessee Sullivan County.

September Term 1832.

On this 26th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Edward Scott Judge of the Circuit Court of Law & Equity for said County Joseph Gray, a resadent of the County of Washington & State of Tennessee aged about Sixty Eight years who being [duly sworn] according to Law doth on his oath make the following decleration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that he entered the service of the united States under the following named officers and served as herein stated towit, that in the year 1780 he was a resadent of the County of Rockbridge Virginia & in the latter part of the fall or fore part of the winter of said year he was drafted in said country under Colonal John Boyers [sic: John Bowyer] in Cap'n. Andrew Moors [sic: Andrew Moore's] Company. was marched on & crossed the Blue Ridge at Rockfish gap then to Fredericksburgh [sic: Fredericksburg]. thence to James River below Richmond then crossed the said river & marched down on the south side of said river near Norfolk where the British army lay dureing said winter. was employed dureing his said Tour in scouting after British forage parties. had frequent skirmishes with said forage parties Killed some & took some prisoners [several illegible words] his said three months as aforesaid. he with his Regiment was marched back to Richmond, & there verbally discharged by his said cap'n and marched home in company with his said Cap'n Andrew Moor to Rockbridge county Virginia after having served full three months in actual service as aforesaid

In the month of September in 1781 as well as now recollected he was again drafted in Rockbridge Cty Virginia for the Term of three months & enrolled in said County under Capn. Patterson & Lieutenant William Howell was marched to the Blue Ridge & crossed the same at Rockfish Gap then to Richmond Virginia then to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg], thence to York in Virginia, & joined the main army under the command of General Washington. he arrived at York some days after the Siege of that place had commenced [28 Sep 1781] & remained there untill the surrender of Lord [Cornw]allace [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct] which was some ten or fifteen days after his arrival at York as well as now recollects. after the surrender of Lord Cornwallace this declairant with others was ordered to gard the prisenor to Winchester Virginia was marched by way of Fredericksburgh to Winchester Va. with permission to return home to Rockbridge after delivering the said prisenor at Winchester which duty he performed and returned home after having performed his said Tour of duty which was for three months. he states that in the war of the Revolution he served two three months Tours of duty against the British. he has no documentary evidence of his service nor does he know of any person whose testamony he can procure who can testify to his service he states there is no [several illegible words] in the neighbourhood where he resides who can testify to his service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or anuity whatever and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Sept'r. 1832

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph Gray". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.