Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Bry Gregory S2249 Transcribed by Will Graves f44NC 8/29/08 rev'd 10/28/15

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State of Tennessee, Smith County

On this 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before John Chambers, Zachary Ford & Isaac Goodall the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting Bry Gregory a resident of the County of Smith and State of Tennessee aged 71 years, who being first duly 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That in October 1780 he volunteered under Captain Patterson from sickness was furloughed and as he recovered his health and a few days he left home or Captain Patterson's [Mark Patterson's] company and fell in with Captain Dualy Reynolds' [Dudley Reynolds'] Company and served in his company three months and then received a written discharge which has been lost. Afterwards in the year 1781 he volunteered again under Captain Benjamin Herrin, marched to General Lillington's [John Alexander Lillington's] Camp and served under him until discharged making a three months tour, that he volunteered both times in Chatham County North Carolina being a resident of said County and State. Afterwards in the year 1782 he volunteered in Chatham County North Carolina under Captain Alex Clark [Alexander Clark] marched to Cain Creek and there had a Battle under General Butler [John Butler] & Colonel Literal [John Luttrell], there he then pursued the enemy to Ruffs Swamp [Raft Swamp, October 15, 1781]¹ then returned back to Cross Creek and there remained until discharged Serving three months more the war closed about that time, making in all nine months Service, he has no written discharge nor never received any for the two last services, nor has he any other documentary evidence by which he can prove his service, nor does he now know of any person by whom he can prove the same except William Gregory² he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or a nobody except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Bry Gregory, X his mark

S. J. Pickett, Clk

[Miles West, a clergyman, and Isham Beasley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee, Smith County

This 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared before said Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting William Gregory a resident of Smith County aged 68 years who being duly sworn says that Bry Gregory is his Brother and that he knows he did enter the service as a volunteer under the officers as stated above and served as he has stated.

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_raft_swamp.html

² William Gregory S1666

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ J. Pickett, Clk

S/ William Gregory

[p 42: On April 15, 1843 in Smith County Tennessee, the veteran applied for a new pension certificate saying that is all one had become torn and illegible. He signed this document with his mark.

[Facts in file: veteran died January 1846, place not stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina State Troops.]