

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Grant S31713

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[Transcriber's note: The original application has been damaged with large ink blots. Text covered by the blots has been indicated by "... " in the following transcription. Both Fold3.com and HeritageQuest's images have been similarly compromised.]

State of Georgia, County of Hancock

On this 15th day of January 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Inferior Court of said County while sitting as a court of Ordinary Joseph Grant a resident of Hancock County and said State aged 75 years on the...February next, 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 7 June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He states that in his first tour of duty he went from the County of Edgecombe State of North Carolina under ...[the command?] of Capt. Edwd. Clinch [Edward Clinch] comman....fought at battle with the I...[Indians?] during this campaign at the in Georgia, his captain was also under the command of Col. ... Capt. Lee from the ...N. C. in the same battle and ... battle the American ... defeated crossed the Savannah River ... American Army and retreated to Genl. ... in So. Ca., marched down to P...burg [Purrysburg?] on Savannah and continued there ... in this tour of duty the said... served five months in the first ...organized in the State of N. Carolina having went in the service as a substitute for his brother in law William Rose as soon as the said Grant returned home he states the second Class of the Militia to which he belonged was called into service which he entered under the command of Captain Richard Ship, Capt. Ship was commanded by Col. Benj. Axum [Benjamin Exum], under command of Caswell until joined by Genl. Gates then by him, joined Gates' Army at Liberty Hill So. Carolina the said Grant states he was with 3 or 400 light horse taken from Gates' Army and marched towards Camden but was met the ...night and attacked by the British, the few Americans gave way –the action commonly called Gates defeat was brought on next morning when the American Army was defeated [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] after this defeat, the said Grant returned home but was called on to serve out his tour of duty the said Grant served the balance of a five months tour of duty under the command of Capt. [sic, Col.?] Axum... until discharged on the Yadkin River...making ten months as ...

He states...was...Northampton County, N. Carolina.

Has a record of his age in his family bible which was taken out of his father...prayer book

Was living in Edgecombe ... at different places in of the [indecipherable word] and in Georgia ...for 3...years.

Served as before stated

Received ...discharge f... first tour of duty from Col.lost a great many years but does not ...

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

Attest:

S/ James H. Jones, Clk

S/ Joseph Grant, X his mark

[John G. Gilbert, a clergyman and James H. Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[The summary prepared by the War Dept. before the application was defaced by the ink blot indicates that the applicant claimed service under Capt. Clinch, Genl. Ash [sic, John Ashe] and Col. Clinch as well as Capt. Ship [probably Captain Richard Shipp], Col. Axum, Genl. Gates [Horatio Gates].]

[Transcriber's Note: I believe this applicant was claiming to have been in both the battle of Briar Creek under Genl. John Ashe and the Battle of Camden under Gen. Horatio Gates.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the North Carolina militia.]