

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Glen S38733

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District of west Tennessee

John Glen a citizen of Franklin county in the State of Tennessee came before me and made Oath that claimed to be placed on the pension list of the United States in consequence of his services in the revolutionary war And after being duly sworn depose and saith, that the next year after independence was declared he enlisted as a soldier in the Service of the United States under the command of Capt. Moore in the first Pennsylvania Reg't. commanded by Colo. Anthony Wayne of the Pennsylvania continental line [see endnote] under the Command of Gen'l. George Washington, that he enlisted for three years and he served his said term faithfully and was discharged. That within four or five months after this, he again enlisted in the horse service under the command of Capt. Scott, a regiment of Dragoons commanded by Colo. William Washington [see endnote] and remained in the Service until the end of the war. That he has long since lost his discharge. That he has no other proof besides what is now offered without he was to travel into Pennsylvania which he is unable to do. That he is in very reduced circumstances, that he is sixty two years old next October that he is very infirm and unable to labor and needs very much aid from his government. That he has never had any pension from the United States or any State

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 2^d of September 1818

John hisXmark Glen

State of Tennessee }

Davidson County }

On this 23^d day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty one Personally appeared in open court of the Supreme court of errors and appeals for the fourth Judicial Circuit in the State aforesaid John Glen aged Sixty five years resident in Davidson County State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows That he enlisted for one year as a private in the first Pennsylvania Regiment, William Moore his Captain, Anthony Wayne his Colonel He enlisted in Chester county Pennsylvania from thence was taken to Trenton, from thence marched to new York from thence to Long Island, where he was first furnished with arms. From thence sailed to Albany. From thence marched to the white Plains N.Y. From thence was Transported over the Lake to Ticonderoga. From thence was carried to fort Detroit where he was in an action with the British and was defeated [see endnote] returned back to Ticonderoga, to which place the British followed where we again had another engagement in which we were victorious. After this I returned to chester county. I then reenlisted into the service for three years under my said captain William Moore. Our Colo. Gordon and our Gen'l. [Benjamin] Lincoln From thence marched through Virginia and No. Carolina met and fought the British at Stono [Stono Ferry SC, 20 Jun 1779], Bacons Bridge and Charleston while besieged [29 Mar - 12 May 1780], was taken prisoner at charleston, exchanged for and sent to old James Town Virginia from thence marched to York Town and joined the besieging army under the commander in chief [Gen. Washington] until we reduced the British [19 Oct 1781] this service was of four or more years Duration That he does not recollect the date of his original declaration the number of his pension certificate is seventeen thousand and forty four

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. viz.

My wearing apparel, which is all the property I possess, value \$20.00
Amounting in the whole to twenty dollars that he is by occupation a shoe maker but that he has become so
blind by reason of age that he cannot pursue it.
that he has no family except himself, his wife is dead. he had four children who have all left him. and he is
thereby left without any person to aid and assist him. John hisXmark Glen

William Carter a Citizen of Davidson county in said State made Oath that he is acquainted with
the Applicant John Glen, that he was in the army with him and doth know that he served more than three
years William hisXmark Carter

John Glen who made the annexed schedule came before me and made Oath as he had done before
in the said schedule, that he enlisted as a continental Soldier in the revolutionary war, for one year, in the
first Pennsylvania Reg't. William Moore his Captain. Anthony Wayne his Colonel that he faithfully
served the said term of one year, and some months longer, being in Canada at the expiration of the time.
That he reenlisted for three years, was marched to the southward and fought at the battle of Stono and was
captured in Charlestown. That he served the last service under the said Capt. Moore, but is not certain who
was his Colo. in the last service but hopes that his first term of service of one year & more will entitle him
to his pension John hisXmark Glen
Sworn to & subscribed before me this 15th September 1821

NOTES:

Note that Glen's two declarations are inconsistent with each other. Note also the following
discrepancies. Anthony Wayne was Col. of the 4th Pennsylvania Battalion from 3 Jan 1776 until 21 Feb
1777, when he was made Brigadier General. I could find no record of a Capt. Scot in Lt. Col. William
Washington's 3rd Regiment of Continental Light Dragoons. There was no engagement at Fort Detroit
during the Revolutionary War. The British captured Fort Ticonderoga on 6 Jul 1777, after which there was
no engagement there during the Revolutionary War. There was no Col. Gordon who served in the South
under Lincoln. I could find no Capt. William Moore who served as stated by Glen.

A summary in the file states that John Glen died on 14 March 1829.