Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

VA

Pension Application of William Grady S39617
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Virginia SS.

On this 16th day of April 1819 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia personally appears William Grady aged 60 years, resident in Shenandoah County in the said State, who being by me duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath, make the following declaration, In order to obtain the provision made by the late 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" that he the said William Grady enlisted in March 1781 at Culpeper Ct. House in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Reuben Fields of the Regiment Colo Febeccher [sic: Christian Febiger] continental line that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States untill the September 1782 when he was discharged from service at Cumberland Ct House state aforesaid that he was in the Battles of James Town [Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] & siege of Little York [Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the affidavits anexed

Virginia/ Shenandoah County Ss.

On this 11th day of March 1823 personally appeared in open court being a Court of record for the said County William Grady aged 64 years resident near Luray in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. I enlisted under Capt. Reuben Field in the regiment commanded by Colo. Feebecher in the Virginia Line for the term of 18 months, and was discharged by General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] on the 19th Sept. [sic] after the siege of Little York, I was in the battle at Jamestown & at the siege of York. The date of my original declaration is the 10th of April 1819 and the number of my pension Certificate 16.378. 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. List of property: 1 corner cupboard, 2 small common tables, 1 large pot, 2 small ditto, 1 dutch oven, 1 skillet & lid, 5 flag bottom chairs, tea & crockery ware, 1 small chest & trunk, 2 washing tubs, 1 wooden & 1 tin water bucket, 1 old fire shovel & tongs, 1 spinning wheel & linnen wheel, I work days labour for my support and not very able to work. I have no person living with me except my wife who is 67 years of age, and consequently not able to contribute much to our support.

Sworn to, and declared, on the 10th day of March 1823 William hisXmark Grady

[The following are from <u>rejected claims in the Library of Virginia</u>. The online file of William Grady also contains papers relating to the rejected claim of William Graham, pension application S38767.]

Rockingham County Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery May Term 1845

At the Instance of Thomas Charlton The Court doth Certify to the War department at Washington, that satisfactory evidence has been adduced to said Court, that Sarah Charlton wife of said Thomas Charlton, who resides in this County is the daughter of William Grady Deceased, who was a revolutionary Soldier; that said Grady left no Widow that he had four Children, viz Burned Sarah

William and Patty; that Burned removed from this County and died about 18 years ago leaving three children, who have never been heard of since – That William who was then unmarried, entered the army during the last war and has not been heard of since peace was concluded and that Patty went to the west and has not been heard of during the last seventeen years [illegible word]/ Teste/ [?] Campbell

Virginia, Rockingham County to wit [17 May(?) 1845]

To his excellency the Govenor of the State of Virginia

The Petition of Sarah Charlton respectfully represents that she is the child of William Grady who was a soldier in regular Service during the Revolutionary War. That her father the said William Grady died about five years since and had been for many years previous to his death a pensioner under the laws of the United States at the rate of ninety six dollars per annum. That her father was a private soldier and performed regular service during a period of five years, and was discharged after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. That he served the entire period for which he enlisted, in the infantry with the exception of about eighteen months, which he served in the cavalry. The petition for proof of her fathers revolutionary services refers to the records in the war department, and also the testimony which remains on file in the pension department by means of which his claim for a pension was established. The petitioner futher represents that her father never drew the land which was due to him from the state of Virginia on account of his revolutionary services and that she is the only surviving child of her father the said William Grady and moreover she does not know whether there is any other heir to her father with the exception of herself, and that she is the lawful wife of Thomas Charlton of Rockingham County in the State of Virginia. She therefore prays that a land warrant may issue to her for the number of acres of land which may be due to her as the heir of her father on account of his services as aforesaid

Sarah herXmark Charlton