

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jonathan Grant S42758

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The State of Ohio } SS
Wayne County }

On the sixth day of October A.D. 1818 before me the Subscriber One of the Associate Judges of the Court of Common pleas of said County personally appeared Jonathan Grant of said County of Wayne, aged sixty three years, who being by me first 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 the said Jonathan Grant enlisted in the month of February 1776 in the town of Pittsburgh State of Pennsylvania [then thought to be in Virginia] in the Company Commanded by Captain William Croghan of the eighth Virginia Rifle Regiment that he continued to serve in the said Corps in the service of the United States until the month of April or May 1778, when he was discharged from the service at the Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania by Brig'r Gen'l. [Charles] Scott, and afterwards at the request of General Washington served three months as Volunteer. that he was in the battles of the White Plains [28 Oct 1776] the battle of Trenton [26 Dec 1776], the battle of Princetown [Princeton, 3 Jan 1777], the battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], and the battle of Germantown [4 Oct 1777], at which last mentioned place he was wounded in the leg, (in consequence of which wound I am now rendered incapable of labouring for my support, 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. [signed] Jonathan Grant

State of Ohio Coshocton County
Machaneck Township

Personally came Before Me John Craige a Justice of the peace for said Township - Solomon vail [pension application S40611] of said County and he Being Sworn as the Law Directs saith the he well New Jonathan grant of wane County was Inlisted in Capten Crohan Company in the Eight verginny Ragement of Riffel men was Inlisted in pitburg in february the 15th day and year 1776 and was Discharged at the vally forge By Brigadier Genral Scott and this Solomon vail saith he has Drawd a pention of Eight Dollars per Month - and he considered Jonathan grant Intitled To the same sum or pension. Solomon hisXmark vail
Certified Before Me John Craige Justice of the peace March 29th 1820

State of Ohio }
Wayne County }

Before me the undersigned a justice of the Peace in and for s'd County personally came Joseph Mitchel who being of Lawful age & being duly Sworn as the Law directs doth upon his solemn oath depost and say that he this deponent was a Sodier in the Regement commanded by Col'n Maxwell during the revolutionary War That he was aquainted at that time with Jonathan Grant then a Soldier in the 8th Virginia Rife regiment, now of Wayne County & State of Ohio that the said Grant was discharged at Vally Forge Schullkill Penn'a in the year AD 1778 by Brigadier Gen Scott. Volunteers being then required by Gen Washington the said Jonathan Grant then volunteered his services and afterwards discharged therefrom & the s'd Deponent further states that he was present when discharged & was during the revolutionary war well aquainted with the s'd Jonathan Grant & well knew of his performing his services as a soldier in the revolutionary war as aforesaid & further saith not —
Sworn & subscribed to before me this 18th Day of April AD 1820 Joseph hisXmark Mitchel

State of Ohio } SS.
County of Wayne }

On this twenty seventh day of September A.D. 1820 personally appeared before the Court of Common pleas being a Court of record for the

County & State aforesaid Jonathan Grant a resident in said County of Wayne aged sixty five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820. that he the said Jonathan Grant enlisted in the month of February A.D. 1776 in the town of Pittsburgh in the State of Pennsylvania in the Company commanded by Captain William Croghan of the eighth Virginia Rifle Regiment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps in the service of the United States on the continental establishment until the month of April or May 1778, when he was discharged from the service at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania by Brig Gen'l Scott, and afterwards at the request of Gen'l Washington he served three months as a volunteer. That he was in the battle of the White Plains, the battle of Trenton, the battle of Princetown, the battle of Brandywine, and the battle of Germantown, at which last mentioned place he was wounded in the leg, in consequence of which wound he is now unable to labour for his support and that he has now in his possession no further evidence of his said services —

And in pursuance of the Act of the first of May 1820 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 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 —

A Schedule of all the property owned by me the said Jonathan Grant, necessary clothing and bedding only excepted —
four Cows, 1 heiffer yearling, 1 Calf, 29 hogs, 2 horses, 1 Iron kettle, 2 Iron posts, 2 bake ovens, 8 pewter plates, ½ doz knives & forks, Irons for one plough, 18 bushels wheat, 100 bushels Corn, 6 bushels rye - Interest in ½ Section of School land —

I occupy one half section of School land West half of Sect 35, Range thirteen, town fourteen. I have been in possession of a quarter Section of Congress land, but which I have been under the necessity of giving up as I cannot pay for it. I am by profession a farmer, am unable to labour sufficiently for my support in Consequence of wounds I received in the battle of Germantown. I have a family of a wife and four children; my wifes name is Sally Grant, aged fifty years her children Rebecca Grant aged 16 years, Peggy Grant 12 years old, Jenny Grant 10 years old, John Grant eight years old, my said wife is not able fully to support herself by reason of one of her hands being lame. I have some small debts due to me, but they are of a doubtful nature, not being liquidated. And I owe more than is due to me. I further say that my Original declaration was made on the 6th day of October A.D. 1818 and that I have received no pension whatever from Government
Jonathan Grant

State ohio } Before me Daniel Hutchison the undersigned of the Justices of the Peace
Wayne County } in and for s'd. County personally came Jonathan Grant now residing in
this s'd County of Wayne & state afore mentioned who being Duly sworn as the Law directs doth
on his solemn oath Depose & say that he enlisted in Pittsburgh under Capt. Crohan upon the
fifteenth day of Febuary AD 1776 & further states that as soon as they recrutes were come in we
marched to Winchester in Virginia & there we drew our clothing & rifles but not remembering
whether all the regiment ware riflemen & further saith that they martched from Winchester to
Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] in s'd state & then it was about the first of June Col'n
Mulinsburghs [sic: Peter Muhlenburg's] when we arrived there was gone to Caralina [arrived
Charleston SC before the Battle of Sullivans Island, 28 June 1776] they then detatched Capt.
Crohan & Company to the first Regiment (which Company had formaly belonged to the Eith
Reg't which first regement commanded by Col'n. Scott & Magor [John] Green - & further saith
that they did duty in that first Reg't. until some time after Independance was declared but as
soon as practible afterward the aforesaid Reg't was ordered to martch to Alexandria & there we
took vessels & sailed up to Georgetown & from thence we martched to Baltimore & from thence
went By water to the head of Elk [present Elkton MD] from thence martched to Cristeen

[probably Christiana River in DE] & from thence by water to Trenttown thence marched to Jerseys state to fort Lee on the North River & thence crossed the River to Fort Washington The enemy at that time was in New York in a few day two of the British Vessels came up the river got past our Shivaursdefreeses [sic: cheveux-de-frise: spiked barrels] at some time several of the enemys Vessels was discovered in the East river imediately our ragement (first ragement) some others was ordered to Martch to the white Plains - Some few day after this enemy landed their troops we detected them in the Night this engagement Major Green was wounded & did not command the s'd ragement while we remained in it Magor Fleming [John Fleming, killed at Princeton] Commanded in his place in a short time after this engagement we had another in the Plains & further this Deponent saith that from there they marched & crossed the North river & crosed at Brunswick & from there the British drove & parsued us to Trenttown & there crossed the [Delaware] river & kept on that side til recrossed about Christmas & took Prisoner about Nine hundred Heshians & in a short time after at some place we had a skirmish with the enemy. we then crossed the creek the next morning before day light we was ordered to martsh our ragement was the advana gard [sic: avant garde] & that day commanded by Col'n Hazlet & Mag'r Fleming which ragement was atacted & was forced to retreat at that time Both Col'n & Major & many other officers was Killed (S'd Battle) Lieut Kirkpatrick was wounded & I the deponent carried him off the fiel or ground & when the body of our troop came up the British retreated into the Collage [Princeton College] & there we to them prisoners in a few hours after the Enemy came from prince town we imedetly Martched to Morrystown we lay the that winter. The next spring of 1777 Captain Crohan joined his own Ragement then in Philidelphia & there continued until I the deponent was discharged & further saith that he was discharged a Vally forge in the winter of 1778 by Brig'r Gen'l. Scott who was formerly Col'n of the firs ragement He further saith that in 1781 he met with Mag'r Crohan who had formerly been his Capt [promoted to Major 16 May 1778] who gave him a hounerable discharge & told me the 8th reg't was detached to the fourth [14 Sep 1778] & that he then was commandant of it & further stated that he was taken prisoner [at Charleston SC, 12 May 1780] & was then at that time on parole — he further saith that he kept his discharges until the sales of publick Lands was held in Canton & there & at that time he gave his discharges to the registrar of the Land office on promis that he would git him some Land for them & by that means Lossed the register in a short time went den to Sinathay[?] & there died Deponent further saith that he was down last month & had his papers sartified but the could not be found the reg't. Sen[?] Mr Gibson write a letter to Col'n. Jos. Slone on the subject & further this Deponet saith not [signed] Jonathan Grant Given under my hand & seal the day & year before mentioned [sic] Daniel Hutchison JP [Certified 25 Apr 1821]