

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Gabriel Gray S8590

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Virginia Culpeper County

On this 17th December 1832 personally appeared in open Court Gabriel Gray a resident of the County and State aforesaid in the Seventy first year of his age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June __ 1832

Deposeth that he enlisted into the Army of the United States for eighteen months as a Sergeant on the first of July 1780, that he marched to the Main Army under Captain Wallas [sic, Wallace?] an officer of the Regular Army that they joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Hawes which Rendezvoused at Hillsboro in North Carolina, they then retreated back to Virginia, and again advanced and met the Army at Guilford court house, had a Battle [March 15, 1781]¹ there with the British Army where this affiant was wounded and afterwards he was in the Battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781]² and was discharged the 1st January 1782, which discharge is lost. That he served the full time of eighteen months as a sergeant.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present -- and he allows that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any State.
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Francis Lightfoot, Clk

S/ Gabl. Gray³

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$90 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 18 months in the Virginia Continental line.]

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

² http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

³ I don't believe this to be the actual signature of the veteran since the handwriting is identical to the body of the application