Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Robert Green W10065 Elizabeth Green MD Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 12 Aug 2015.

[Punctuation partly corrected.]
State of Missouri } SS

County of Cape Girardeau } On the fourteenth day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Circuit court of the county aforesaid, Robert Green, a resident of the township of Byrd in the county of Cape Girardeau State of Missouri, aged 77 years, who first being 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 7th 1832: That he enlisted in the army of the United Sates, in the latter part of the year 1776, or early in the year 1777 not recollected which with David Green, and served in the first Regiment of the Maryland line, under the following named officers; John Gunby Colonel, Peter Adams [BLWt372-450] Lieut Col. — Adams [probably Daniel Jenifer Adams] Major, Montjoy Bailey [Mountjoy Bayly, pension application S12094] Capt. William Bettis first lieutenant, the 2^d Lieut. and ensign nor positively recollected, but believe it was Lloyd Bell [sic: Lloyd Beall] 2^d Lieut. and Gadway Wadkins [sic: Gassaway Watkins W15857] ensign. He resided in Montgomery County in the State of Maryland at the time he entered the service, and served three years as a non commissioned officer, (Sergeant) in said regiment, the principle battles he was in was the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], and Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], he afterwards received a commission as Ensign, bearing date 28th April 1780 to take rank as such 26th January preceding, under which Commission he served about eight months, in which time he was in the battle near Campden South Carolina where Gen'l. Gates was defeated [sic: Battle of Camden SC where Gen. Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780]. during the time he was attached to the Army they marched through the states of Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or an annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED

To Robert Greene Gentleman Greeting. We, Reposing especial trust [part obscured by seal here and elsewhere marked *]d confidence in your Patriotism, Valour, Conduct, and Fidelity, DO by these presents constitute and appoint you to [*] Ensign in the First Maryland Brigade in the Army of the United States to take rank as such from the 26th day [*] Jan'y 1780. Your are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Ensign by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging And [*] do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under your command to be obedient to your orders, as Ensign And you are to observe and follow such orders and directions , from time to time as you shall receive from this or a future Congress of the United States or Committee of Congress for that purpose appointed, a Committee of the States or Commander in chief for the time being of the Army of the United States, or any other your Superior Officer, according to the rules and discipline of War, in pursuance of the trust reposed in you. This Commission to continue inforce until revoked by this or a future Congress, the Committee of Congress beforementioned, or a Committee of the States.

Entered in the War Office and examined by the Board

Attest

Ben Stoddert

Secretary of the Board of War

Witness his Excellency Sam'l Huntington Esquire President of the Congress of the United States of America, at Philadelphia the 28th

day of April 1780, and in the fourth year of our Independence [signed] Sam Huntington President

Near Shinnston Va [in present Harrison County WV] 18 March '39 Honble Mr Poinset.

Sir I have been requested by my Nephew Mr David Green of Missouri, to state upon affidavit what I know of the service of his Father Robert Green in the revolutionary war, at what time he was married &c. and to forward it to you, in order to get a pension for his Mother. below I send a statement of all I recollect together with the Commission of Mr Green and shall be obliged if you will inform me what prospect of the poor widow getting the Pension. very respectfull I have the honor to be

Yr Ob Ser't [Benjamin Reeder R17331]

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Statement

I remember that Robert Green late of the State of Missouri enlisted in the year 1776 with Lieut David Linn [sic: David Lynn W9151] in Capt Mountjoy Baileys company of the 7th Maryland Regiment as a Sarjeant; after the Battle at Germantown Robert Green for his conduct, was appointed Brevet Ensign and as such was sent recruiting in the Winter 1778-9 and in the Spring of the latter year took out a Company of recruits, in the year 1789 he was Commissioned, and continued in service untill the Battle at Camden; where the regiment to which he belonged was so much destroyed, that with several other officers he was sent home as a supernumerary and was not again called on to join the army; about the month of March 1781 the said Robert Green intermarried with Elizabeth Reeder sister of this affiant, about the year 1790 or 91 the said Robert Green moved west from Montgomery County Maryland, and subsequently settled in upper Louisania, while under Spanish dominion, where he died, as this affiant has been informed, in Cape Gireadeau County Missouri about the year 1833

Land Office, Annapolis, 30th July 1839

Sir [J. E. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions], In reply to your's of the 19th Inst respecting the service of Robert Green, a soldier of the revolution, I have to state, That it appears by the muster rolls of the revolution in this office, that he enlisted as a Sergeant in the 6th Maryland Regiment, on the 8th January 1777, and was discharged 4th January, 1780, and afterwards appointed an Ensign, in the 7th Regiment, on 26tth January 1780, but the records afford no proof of the duration of his service as an Ensign, – His name appears upon a depreciation pay roll to have received £114.15s.3d depreciation money issued to the Maryland quota of troops on Continental Establishment, on the 22nd day of August 1782, but it is no evidence that he was in service up to that period,

Very respectfully/ Yr. Ob't. S't./ G. G. Brewer

NOTE: On 21 Feb 1839 Elizabeth Green, 78, applied for a pension stating that she married Robert Green 11 Mar 1781, and he died 16 Dec 1833. With her application is a family record certified by David Green, aged 55 on 29 July 1838, which is transcribed below.

Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was maryed march the 11th 1781

Jane Green first daughter of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was boarn April ve 15th 1782

D Green first Son of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was born in July the 29th 1783

Jane Green Second daughter of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was born February ye 17th 1785 one gurl betwen

Margret Green third daughter of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was born december the [date illegible] 1787

Sarah Green foreth daughter of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was born April ye 24 1788 Richard Robt Reeder Green Second Sun of Robt Green & Elizebeth his wife was boarn June ye 6th 1789 RG deseased May ye 20th 1811

Mary Green fifth daughter of Robt Green & Elizebeth his wife was boarn February 15 1791

Elizabeth Greene sixth daughter of Robt. Green and Elizebeth his wife was boarn May ye 29th 1793 Seventh daughter dyed without name October ye 18th 1794

Ann green Eight daughter of Robt. Green and Elizebeth his wife was boarn november ye 3 1795 negro George was born Sept. ye 25th 1794

Elenler Green ninth daughter of Robt Green and Elizebeth his wife was boarn ye 12th march 1797 negro Sarah was boarn June ye 5th 1797

Robt. Green Third Son of Robt. Green & Elizebeth his wife was boarn Sept. ye 5^{th} 1798 tenth daughter dyed without a name Jn'e 8^{th} 1800

Ann Green Eleventh daughter of Robt. Green and Elizebeth his wife was boarn april ye 5th 1801 Ann Green twelf daughter was boarn Dec'r ye 15th 1802

negroe george was boarn Sept 25th 1794

negroe John was boarn november ye 12th 1799[?]

Sarah Green thirteenth daughter of Robt. Green & Elizebeth his wife was boarn December the 5th 1805 Jula[?] Green forteenth fifteenth daughter of Green & Elizebeth his wife was boarn november the 24th 1806