

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Gregory W7599 Elizabeth Gregory VA
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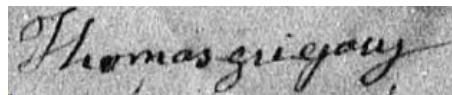
Virginia: Chesterfield county to wit:

On this 11th day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, personally appeared before the county court of Chesterfield, in the State of Virginia, (being a court of Record) Thomas Gregory Senr aged eighty two years, a resident of the county and state aforesaid, 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 the 7th day of June 1832. That he entered into the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That sometime in the year 1780 he was called out in a company of Militia in Chesterfield county, commanded by Captain Bernard Markham, (the subalterns not recollected) and marched down to the lower part of Virginia, in the neighbourhood of Smithfield and Cabin point, &c and after serving a tour of three months was discharged. Colo. Robert Goode and a Colo. White had command of the Regiment to which he was attached, that he was not engaged in any battle during this tour, nor did he become acquainted with any Regular officers belonging to the Army.

That sometime in the month of January (believed to be the sixth) 1781, he was again called out in a company of Militia in Chesterfield county, commanded by Capt. Bernard Markham, and marched to Manchester [across James River from the Capitol], where he was impressed or drafted by Colo. Robert Goode who had command of the Regiment, as an artificer for the purpose of repairing and mending the arms, that he was continued and remained so employed for the term of at least five months, when he was discharged that during this term as he was constantly engaged in repairing the arms he was in no engagement and contracted no acquaintance with any of the Regular Officers. That he has no hesitation in saying according to the best of his recollection, that he served Eight months, as mentioned above in the Revolutionary War. viz. three months as a private, and five months as an Artificer, and for such service he claims a Pension.

That it appears by a Register in his Bible at home that he was born in Chesterfield county on the second day of August 1750, that he has resided in said county ever since, except for about six or seven years when a child, he is told that he resided in the county of Halifax. That he was always called out in the Militia, that he never received any written discharge from service.

That he is known to many persons in his neighbourhood, who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief in his service as a soldier of the Revolution, particularly to Leonard Nunnally a clergyman, and Allen Whitworth [pension application S6367] and Philip H. Vest [S7789] two old soldiers of the Revolution residing in said county of Chesterfield. – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before the court aforesaid.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thomas Gregory". The ink is dark and the paper appears aged and slightly textured.

NOTE: On 5 May 1843 Elizabeth Gregory, 73, applied for a pension stating that she married Thomas Gregory on 27 Dec 1789, and he died on 25 March 1843. On 12 Aug 1843 before Thomas Gregory, Jr., a Justice of the Peace, she stated that she had resided in Chesterfield County all her life.