Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Glass S32272
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Services
PA
SC
Born in Ireland

Illinois   26769
    Kentucky
James Glass
Of Livingston in the State of Kentucky who was a private in the company commanded by
Captain Wilson of the regiment commanded by Cob in the Pennsylvania line for 6 months U. S. A.
Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky of the sum of 20.00 Dollars no Cents per annum to commence
in the last day of March 1834
Certificate of Pension issued the 23rd day of May 1834 and Heouck Tyore ....................
Arrears to the …of March 60.00
Pension allowance ending ….. 10.00
    $70.00

Revolutionary Claim
Act June 7, 1832

2) Recorded by Dan Boyd, Clerk
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……… Cir Dec. 1 1836
Transfer to Illinois from
4 Sept. 1835 – Dec 13 – 1836
Order to pay May 2, 1837
Date of death not on A. B

3) APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFER

State of Illinois and the
County of Pope
   On this 5th day of November 1836
before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Pope personally appeared
James Glass who, on his oath, declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the
company commanded by Captain John Henderson in the Regiment commanded by Colonel
William Britten in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll
of the State of Kentucky from whence he has lately removed’ that he now resided in the State
(District, or Territory,) of Illinois where he intends to remain, and wished his pension to be payable there, in future. The following are his reasons for removing from Kentucky to Illinois VI, that he this James Glass has become old and infirm and that he is desirous to live with his Son who lives in Said State of Illinois.

James Glass

Sworn and subscribed to, before me,

The day and year aforesaid,

W. P. Hanna, J. P.

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State of Kentucky
Livingston County
On this 5th day of May 1834 personally appeared in open court before Joseph Hughes, Isham Clermont and James A Ray justices of the Court of said County now sitting, James Glass resident of said county, age seventy two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, and served as herein stated to wit: That in the month of August 1779 I was drafted as a private in the militia of Cumberland County state of Pennsylvania, under Captain Wilson for a tour of two months against the Indians on the frontiers. I entered the service immediately, in the same month, and was marched under said Capt. Wilson and Lieutenant James McClure to Potter’s Fort in Pennsylvania’s Valley. Here we remained in service for two months, and a part of which time were engaged in scouting. At this time the back parts of the Country were much exposed to the Indians, and a constant guard was kept up. The Officers Commanding this fort by turns, and during the time I was there, Capt. Robert Means commanded. I was discharged from this service sometime in the month of October after which the precise day I can’t remember. On my return home it became necessary to reinforce McCormick’s Fort situated below Potter’s Fort in the same valley, and orders came to draft a number of men for the purpose. I remember of those (and I was among the rest) who had just served at Potter’s Fort volunteered in this service for two months more. I entered this service about the 1st November, 1799. We marched to McCormick’s fort under (Ensign) Richard Johnson, who commanded at the fort during this time. My recollection is he was an ensign only. At the expiration of two months, which I faithfully performed, I was discharged and again returned home, which was

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About 1st January 1780. The weather was now extremely cold, and the Indians had ceased their hostilities for the present. In the year 1780 I moved out to York District, South Carolina, and on or about the 1st day of July 1782 I was drafted as a private from that district in the militia of that state under Captain John Henderson, Cols William Bratton, and some in Gen William (John) Henderson’s brigade. On the 1st July, as well as I remember, we met at York Courthouse, and marched from thence into the forks of Edisto River, where we were engaged in suppressing Tories in supplies of the tory, and British parties, and in collecting provisions for Green’s Army, which was then posted about four miles from Bacon’s bridge on Ashley river, on the road to Jackson burg. While here a party of us were dispatched to give notice to some people in the
neighborhood, who we considered as harboring of what was termed outlyers, not to continue that practice, if they did, we would “turn them in “ ……in one of these trips a party of about 14 of us came across a celebrated tory named Glover whom we killed. After remaining in the service two months (the time for which we were drafted). I was regularly discharged, about the 1st September 1782. I was not again called out, for the relief that came on at the expiration of our term, did not serve out their full time before a cessation of arms was proclaimed. While I remained in Pennsylvania, I performed many other short terms of duty as a spy and soldier which I cannot now relate with sufficient precision, and therefore leave it out. We drew tours of two months each above mentioned. I served faithfully and claim a pension for them. I declare that I have no documentary evidence in my possession which would prove my service, having long since lost my discharges, nor do I know of any living witness by which I can prove it in this country. I hereby relinquish every claim what so ever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension or roll the Agency whatsoever.

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Mr. Alexander A Simmons a clergyman, and James Love and Henry Hardin all residing in the County of Livingston of State of Kentucky, hereby certify that we are well acquainted with James Glass who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be seventy two years of age; that he is reported believed in the neighborhood in which he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.
Sworn and subscribed to A. H. Simmons
this day and year afore said J. Love
In open court Henry Hardin

And, the said Court then proposed to the said applicant the follow interrogatories to which he made the subjoined answers to wit:
1. Where and in what year were your born?
Answer. I was born in Ireland, and brought to Pennsylvania when an infant and there raised. I was born on the 12th August 1761,
2. Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it?
Answer. I have none – it was left at my father’s – I never got it.
3. Where did you live when you entered the service, where have you resided since the Revolutionary War, and where do you now live?
Answer: When I first entered the service, I lived in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania - in 1780 moved to South Carolina & lived there until 1871 and then I moved to the County where I now live.
4. How were you called into the service, were you drafted, did you enlist, or were you a volunteer, or were you a substitute to & if a substitute, for whom?
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Answer: I was drafted the first time, third time, and volunteered the second time.
5. State the names of Officers of the regular service with whom you were acquainted such Continental Militias you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service.
Answer. I was principally in militia, and was not amongst the regulars at all, except occasionally in Green’s Army when carrying provisions. I did not become acquainted with any of the regular
officers or the militia regiment. I have mentioned I knew one McGentain he was from Pennsylvania. I also knew of Gen. Green and knew several of the officers by sight but not now their names.

6. Did you receive a discharge from the service, if so by whom was it given and what has become of it.
Answer. I received a discharge from Captain Henderson, and from Captain Means and Johnson, but they are long since lost.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution, as to your character or veracity.
Answer. I am known to many James Love, John Barry, Esq., William Thompson, James McCleavly Esq., R. W. Allen and many others.

And the said Court hereby declares their opinion after interrogations prescribed by the War Department that the above James Glass was a Revolutionary soldier and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that the said Alex H. Sterman is a Clergyman residing in Livingston County and that the said James Love and Henry Harden, who have also signed hereon to the certificate resides in said County, and are credible persons, and that their statements is entitled to credit.

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Joseph Hughes JP (seal)
Isham Clemont JP (seal)
James H. Ray JP (seal)

I James L Dallam Clerk of this said Court do hereby Certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of James Glass for a pension. In testimony where of I have here unto affixed the seal of my office, now subscribed my name, this 5th day of May 1834.

Jas L Dallam

(9)

June 6, 1836

Mrs. Leo Manville
46 Ogden Avenue
White Plains, New York

James Glass
S. 32272
BA-J/MB

Dear Madam:
Reference is made to your letter in which you request the record of James Glass who, you state was born in Scotland, served in the Revolutionary War and whose descendent lived in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.
You are furnished herein the record of the only soldier names James Glass found in the Revolutionary War records of this office’ the date therein was obtained from the papers on file in pension claim S 32272, based upon his service record in the Revolutionary War.

James Glass was born August 12, 1761, in Ireland and brought when an infant to Pennsylvania where he was reared; the names of his parents are not stated.

While residing in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, he enlisted in August, 1779, as a private in General William Wilson’s Pennsylvania Company and marched under him to Potter’s Fort in Penn Valley where he was under Captain Robert Means who commanded the fort, engaged in guarding the country against the Indians, and was discharged sometime in October, following. He volunteered about November 1, 1779, marched to McCormick’s Fort in Penn Valley under Ensign Richard Johnson who commanded that fort and served until about January 1, 1779, when he was discharged. Sometime in the year 1780 he moved to York District, South Carolina, where he enlisted July 1, 1780 and served as private in Captain John Henderson’s company, Colonel William Bratton’s South Carolina regiment, was in a skirmish while in scouting about four miles from Bacon’s Bridge on Ashley River in which he assisted in killing a celebrated Tory by the name of Glover and was discharged about September 1, 1782. In addition to the three tours of duty of two months each, just named, the soldier served many short tours of duty as a spy, no details of this given.

James Glass resided in York District, South Carolina, until 1811, when he moved to Livingston County, Kentucky.

He was allowed pension on his application executed May 5, 1834, while a resident of Livingston County, Kentucky.

The date of soldier’s marriage and name of his wife are not stated.

On November 5, 1836, soldier was living in Pope County, Illinois, with a son whose name he did not give. One David B. Glass of Pope County, Illinois, on that same date made affidavit in Behalf of the soldier, his relationship not shown.

Very truly yours,
A.D. Hiller
Assistant to Administrator