

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Gore S38746

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District of West Tennessee

On this second day of April in the year of our Lord 1821 personally appeared in open Court, in the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Bedford County being a court of record for the said County of Bedford Thomas Gore aged fifty-eight years, and a resident in said County, 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 of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that he said Thomas Gore enlisted for the term of three years on the __ day of __ in the year of our Lord 1777 in the State of South Carolina in the company of Cavalry commanded by Captain David Hopkins in the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel William Thompson [William Thomson] in the South Carolina line on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in said corps for the term of three years when he was discharged in the State of South Carolina in the year 1780. That he was in the battles of Sullivan's Island [June 28, 1776] & of Sintellys.¹

And that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except his own oath & the accompanying certificate of Captain David Hopkins² & Colonel Thomson.³

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

¹ Historical marker of the engagement at Fort McIntosh on February 17, 1777 reads as follows:

FORT McINTOSH Near this town, on the northeast side of the Satilla river, fort McIntosh was built early in the Revolutionary War, to protect extensive herds of cattle ranging between that river and the Altamaha [River]. It became an important post on the southern frontier. The fort, a small stockade 100 feet square with a bastion at each corner and a blockhouse in the center, was garrisoned by 40 men from the 3rd Carolina Regiment and 20 Continentals from the Georgia Brigade, under command of Captain Richard Winn [of South Carolina]. On February 17, 1777, a large force of Tories and Indians, commanded by Colonel Brown [Thomas "Burnt Foot" Brown], Colonel Cunningham [Patrick Cunningham] and Colonel McGirth [Daniel McGirt], attacked Fort McIntosh, besieging it for more than 24 hours. Captain Winn refused all demands for surrender, until there was no longer hope for reinforcements from fort Howe and he was forced by superior numbers to evacuate the post. Under terms of surrender, a British company was to escort the Georgia troops to the Altamaha to protect them from massacre by the Indians. These terms were not honored, and Captain Winn and his small company marched unguarded by night through the dense forest and swamp to Fort Howe. 013-3 GEORGIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION 1958

See [Richard Winn SCX2](#); [John Hollis S21827](#)

² [David Hopkins BLWt2216-300](#)

³ There is no certificate in this file given by either Hopkins or Thomson.

time by gift, sale or other wise disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income whatever,

His occupation is that of a farmer but having no land, & on account of his age & consequent infirmities of body & mind, he cannot pursue his business so as to procure a necessary support, he has no family living with him; but has to depend upon the precarious bounty of his friends for the means of subsistence.

Sworn to Subscribed in open court this __ day of __ 1821.

S/ Thomas Gore, X his mark

[Note: The application was certified on the 2nd day of April 1821 by the Clerk of the court of Bedford County Tennessee.]

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State of Tennessee SS ID James McKisick Clerk of the Court of pleas & quarter Sessions of the County of Bedford in the State aforesaid (the same being a Court of Record) do hereby further Certify that it was the opinion of the Court presiding at the time at which the foregoing declaration of Thomas Gore bears date, That he the said Thomas Gore was not possessed of any property whatever real or personal except his necessary wearing Apparel and that the statement set forth in his declaration is Just & true; In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Court at Office in Shelbyville this 14th day of February 1822

S/ Jas. McKisick

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 2nd, 1821, for service as a private for 3 years in the South Carolina Continental line.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to Thomas Gore pp 6
Audited Account No. 2989A

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The Petition of Thomas Gore praying for compensation for property lost in the Revolutionary War.

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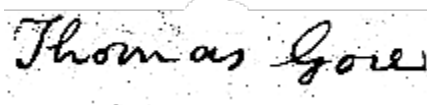
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To the Honorable the President and members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

⁴ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

The Petition of Thomas Gore respectfully
Sheweth

That your Petitioner in the year 1776 as well as now recollected enlisted in the service of this State for the term of 15 months under Captain Richard Winn who was attached to the 3rd South Carolina Regiment commanded by Colonel William Thompson – that he was taken prisoner on the 18th day of February 1777 at the battle of Fort McIntosh when the loss of his horse, gun, and other equipage which were taken by the enemy and for which he has never received any compensation, that Thomas Gore Senior the Father of your petitioner was also in the same Service, and was killed in the battle at Fort McIntosh on the 18th of February 1777 above mentioned and his horse, gun, and equipage fell into the possession of the enemy – that the property lost by your petitioner and his Father as aforesaid was worth about two hundred and thirty pounds, that your petitioner is the only heir of his Father Thomas Gore Senior now living – and has never received any compensation for any of the property so lost – Your petitioner therefore prays that his claim may be taken into consideration and Such compensation allowed him as to Your Honorable body may seem Just and proper.



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Report of the Committee of Claims on the Petition of Thomas Gore praying Compensation for property lost in the Revolutionary War

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Senate, December 7, 1830

Report agreed to

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Agreed Petition rejected

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The Committee of Claims to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Gore praying Compensation for property lost in the Revolutionary war Beg leave to report

That they have Carefully Examined the same from which it appears probable, that the Petitioner may have lost property in the Revolutionary war as set forth in his Petition and Vouchers. But as your Committee are of the opinion that claims of this kind have been long since barred by an act of the Legislature, your Committee do Respectfully recommend that the prayer of the Petitioner be rejected

S/ John K Griffin, Chairman