

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Isaac Grant S4305

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Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Ohio Clinton County Ss.

On this [blank] day of [blank] 1832 [5 Sep 1832] personally appeared in open Court before George J. Smith Esquire President G Isac Hughes, Aaron Sewell & James Dehn associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County aforesid, now sitting Isaac Grant of the Township of Clark in the County of Clinton and State of Ohio aged seventy three years & upwards, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated That in the month of June 1776 he Enlisted in what was called the Minute Company for the Term of two, or three years, is not positive which, under one Capt'n Joseph Combs, who gave notice for all enlisted to meet on a certain day at Lacy's Tavern formerly known by the name of Wests Tavern in Lowden [sic: Loudoun] County Virginia, from thence he with the Company of soldiers marched on to Alexandria a distance of Forty five miles, performed as was said at the time twelves hours, where this applicant was engaged in his Country's service for six months, in making batteries or breast works, on the bank of the Potomack [sic: Potomac River], to defend the Town of Alexandria against the british, who were expected to land, and in standing Century at the Batteryes. That he believes the malitia were discharged at the end of three months the time of their engagement on account of the British haveing withdrawn to some other part, near three months before this applicant was discharged

The names of the Field & Company officers as well as he can remember was Col. Levin Powel [sic: Levin Powell] Major Simon Triplet [sic: Simon Triplett]; Capt'n Joseph Combs; Lieutenant William Handy; Ensign John Combs. That owing to some arrangement of the Government of which this applicant is not apprised, the Minute Companies were discharged at the end of six months in the month of December when he returned home to Lowden County Virginia, the place of his residence, at the time of his Enlistment

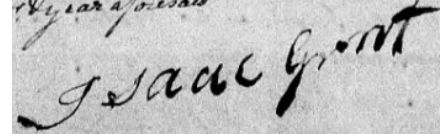
That afterwards this applicant removed to Halifax County Virginia That in the month of February 1781 Cornwallis pursued Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] and his army through North Carolina into Virginia, that Gen'l. Green marched his army to Halifax Court House to get a reinforcement when he made a proclamation that all who would volunteer for six weeks immediately and in pursuit of Cornwallis & his army should be considered as having performed a three months tour of duty – That this applicant did volunteer and proceed with the army in pursuit of the British as far as Guilford Court House in North Carolina which was burnt down when the army came there, that the British had passed on a few miles as was said near seven miles when Gen'l. Green sent small parties or Picket Guards after them, to fire upon them and retreat, after this Canonading took place on both sides, untill they got in reach of the small arms, when the North Carolina Troops were formed in front behind an old fence and when the British advanced fireing, they [North Carolina militia] broke & run, the malitia volunteers & eighteen months men [Virginians in the second line] then fronted the battle, the Regular Troops in the rear, the battle continued near three hours from the commencement, thinks they fired six or seven rounds in the general enggement, this was on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1781 at which time General Stephens [Edward Stevens] received a wound in the thigh

At the time this applicant received his discharge which is dated the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1781 signed by Wm McDaniel [William McDaniel] Capt'n., Col'n. Cox [probably Nathaniel Cocke] recommended the volunteers thus discharged to keep together until they got to a place not far from the line that separates between the state of Virginia & North Carolina as he seemed to apprehend some danger from the Tories who were numerous at that time & place. Gen'l. Green was head Commander Gen'l. [Robert]

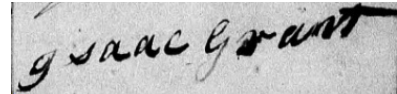
Lawson & Gen'l. Stephens Brigadier Generals all known by this applicant.

That in the month of September 1781 this applicant being a resident of Halifax County Virginia again volunteered his services and performed a three months Tour of duty in the service of his Country and received another discharge both of which are herewith transmitted. [not found]

That this applicant has no documentary evidence of of his first engagement, neither does he know of any person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service, but he is of the belief that old William Robinson [William Robison (Robinson), pension application S7391], (who applies for a Pension) was one of the Malitia at Alexandria a part of the time from his relating many things that were transacted, that this applicant saw, but were unacquainted with each other at the time – 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 & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

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That this applicant believes he was born in the year 1759 in Prince William County Virginia where he has been informed a Record of his age was made by the Parson of the Parish, from thence removed to Lowden County Virginia from thence to Halifax County Virginia, from thence to Clinton County Ohio. That he has been acquainted with Joshua Betterton upwards of forty years also with John Hambrick for many years in virginia and in this country who are well acquainted with his character for veracity

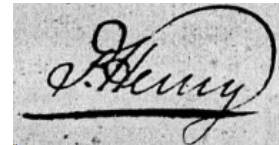
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The Commonwealth of Virginia

To Isaac Grant Gent Greeting:

KNOW you, that from the special Trust and Confidence which is reposed in your Patriotism, Fidelity, Courage, and good Conduct, you are, by these Presents, constituted and appointed Ensign of Militia in the County of Loudoun. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the Duty of Ensign of the Militia, by doing and performing all Manner of Things thereunto belonging; and you are to pay a ready Obedience to all Orders and Instructions which from Time to Time you may receive from the Governour, or executive Power of this State for the Time being, or any of your superiour Officers, agreeable to the Rules and Regulations of the Convention or General Assembly. All Officers and Soldiers under you Command are hereby strictly charged and required to be obedient to your Orders and to aid you in the Execution of this Commission, according to the Intent and Purport thereof.

Witness Patrick Henry, Esquire, Governour or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth, at Williamsburg, under the Seal of the Commonwealth, this 10<sup>th</sup> Day of Augt in the Third Year of the Commonwealth, Annoq. Dom. 1778.

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