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State of North Carolina, Caswell County: Court of pleas & Quarter Sessions January 7, 1821

On the 10th day of January 1822, personally appeared in open Court of the County aforesaid (which is a Court of Record made so by the laws of this State) Moses Grigsby aged 59 years [2 or more indecipherable words], who being 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 & the 1st of May 1820 – that the said Moses Grigsby enlisted for the term of three years on the __ day of November in the year 1781, in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Abraham Fitzpatrick in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Haws in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment – that he continued to serve in said Corps until May 1783 when he was furloughed to be called for but was never afterwards called for in the said State of Virginia: and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his services except Newton Philips & Vincent Bussle's affidavits, which have been taken & attached to his declaration before made in Stafford County in the State of Virginia, where the witnesses now reside & where this deponent formally lived, but from whence he moved & now resides in the County of Caswell & State aforesaid; which said declaration and affidavits aforesaid he attached to this declaration.

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 time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever 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 other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed viz.

one horse valued at	\$40	One pair of steelyards	1.25
One Cow & 2 calves	12	One pot	2
2 sets of Iron Traces	3	1 oven	1
2 sets of Gear	2	1 Skillet	.75
One dagon plough	3	1 frying pan	1
1 Coulter	0.50	1 Clevis & 3 Swingle trees	1
one Bull tongue plough	0.75	1 Mattock	<u>1.50</u>
1 Chest	1.50		8.50
3 Hogs	1		<u>65.</u>
1 spinning Wheel	1.25	Whole Amount	73.50

65.00

all of which property is valued by the court at \$73.50 & I do further declare on oath that my occupation is that of a farmer or planter & that my family consists of my Wife Abby aged about 59 & of [2 indecipherable words] one daughter Abby, aged about 21 years & a small child, the daughter of one of his daughters, who is now dead aged about 4 years – & that he is poor & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for his support.

S/ Moses Grigsby, X his mark

[p 25: Application for a transfer of pension benefit dated February 24th, 1838 filed in Gibson County Indiana by the veteran describing himself as being formally a member of the company

commanded by Captain Fitzpatrick in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Hawes. He states his reason for moving from North Carolina to Indiana was to reside with his children. He signed this document with his mark.]

[p 11: On August 10, 1840 in Marion County Indiana, Abigail Grigsby, aged 79 years on the 24th of November next, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Moses Grigsby who was a pensioner of the United States of the North Carolina agency, and later transferred to the Indiana agency before his death; that she married him in Stafford County Virginia about two weeks before Christmas 1784 being about the 11th day of December; that she was then twenty-three years of age; that her husband died June 16, 1838 in Gibson County Indiana; that she has no family record nor does she believe that her husband recorded the ages of their children; that the best evidence she can produce is that her eldest daughter, now dead, was born in September 1785 and she was married prior to the birth of that child, Nancy Grigsby. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 15: On June 4, 1855 in Dallas County Iowa, Abigail Grigsby, 96, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Moses Grigsby; in this document she states that her name prior to her marriage was Abigail Fritter [?]²

[p 17: Certified copy of the marriage record in Stafford County Virginia reading as follows: "1785 December Moses Grigsby to Abby dauter [daughter] Moses Fritter."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 10, 1820, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was initially pensioned at the rate of \$56.66 per annum increased on March 1, 1848 to \$96 per annum.]

[Note: There is a file under the [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#) but the image posted there is totally illegible as posted.]

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