

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant application of Edward Stevens VAS1923

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Claim for Land Bounty Warrant for services in the Revolution

Edward Stevens presented by Col. R. Gamble

Rec'd November 5<sup>th</sup> 1819

Edward Stevens

a private in the Va. State line on Continental establishment

Claim for land bounty

Allowed for 3 years time if not already allowed.

Feb'y 5<sup>th</sup> 1820

State of Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

This day Edward Stevens appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath that in 1776 in Orange County Virginia he substituted for his Brother William Stevens as a Regular Soldier in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded first by Col. William Daingerfield and afterwards by Alexander McClanachan, in the Company commanded by Capt. Joseph Spencer [?] That he served in said company & Regiment for part of two [?] years in his Brother's place and was then reenlisted for 3 years by Lieut. [indecipherable name] afterwards Capt. in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment and afterwards the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment was transferred to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment commanded by Col. Wm Heath [William Heth]. That he [indecipherable word] in said service until he was taken prisoner at "Charles town" [Charleston South Carolina] by Sir Henry Clinton. That while he was Prisoner at Charles Town his 3 years expired & he made his "Escape" which many other privates did from the same place. He further states that he was in the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] & Monmouth [June 28, 1778] that he served in the North [several indecipherable words] then 4 years 3 years under his on enlistment as a Regular soldier and more than one year as a Substitute for his Brother William Stevens. That [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] resides in Kentucky [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] 58 years that the manner in which he escaped as a Prisoner from Charles Town prevented his getting a Discharge. That he has never received his Land from Virginia [the balance of this document is posted in split image and I have not attempted to transcribe it] [attested by Matt Elder, JP]

[Note: This file also contains what appear to be supporting affidavits given by Richard Price, late a Sergeant and John Nelson late a Lieut. but the images of their affidavits are posted by split image which I have not attempted to transcribe. In addition, the handwriting of the scribe, presumably Matthew Elder, JP, is absolutely atrocious and very difficult to decipher.]