

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application for Edward Vandiver R10845 Catherine fn62SC
Transcribed by Joan Cobb

[fn. 3 & 4]

The State of South Carolina
Anderson District

On this sixteenth day of March 1833, personally appeared in open court & before the judge of Sessions, Common Pleas in the said State for the said District now in session Edward Vandiver residing in the said State & District, who being duly sworn according to Law doth on the make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

The applicant was born in Maryland about the year 1748 although he has no record of his age with him. He was living in Camden District, that part of it now known as Fairfield District when he entered the service under Captain Anderson Thomas and Colonel John Winn, was marched to Liberty Hill where they were all commanded by Genl. Williamson, whilst here the severe indisposition of his wife occasioned him to accept a substitute and return home having been out near four months, cannot recollect the term for which they were to serve nor the year in which it was rendered.

The applicant then removed into Capt. Amanas Lyles' [sic, Aramana Liles] Beat under whom he rendered the whole balance of his service during the war except once under Capt. Thomas Parrott for several months in guarding the passes & ferries on Santee River.

Under Capt. Lyles he served again, marched to the 4 Hole Bridge below Orangeburg where they were principally stationed (Enemy about Bacon's Bridge) out for several months but cannot recollect how long, Commanded by Col Bratton [William Bratton]. He served another tour several months in which he was in the battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs] under the command of Col. Andrew Pickens.

During the whole of the struggle about this time he was subject to the command of his captain whenever he was called on and was often in scouting parties in different directions for various terms of service in many of which he was commanded by Major afterwards Genl. Pearson as a field officer.

The applicant's memory is extremely frail and he cannot recollect the terms of service but feels satisfied in his own mind that he served as much as two years in the whole. He has no discharge preserved or other written evidence of his service. He knows of no positive proof he can now make of his service except by his brother's wife who is infirm and residing at a great distance from here in Pickens District and Jesse Obriant¹ whose attendance he has not been able to prove and with whom the applicant served on Santee and who he has been told applied at the last term in this District. He has been in the receipt for two years of a pension from the State of South Carolina, but none other and will cheerfully relinquish every claim whatever to any pension except the present on being allowed the benefit of the present provision. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid.

his
Edward X Vandiver

¹ FPA W1637

mark

In Open Court 4 March 1833
Van A Lawhon
C C

We William Mager a Clergyman and James Mager residing in the State & District aforesaid do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Edward Vandiver residing in the said District who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be of the age he has stated that he is respected & believed in the neighborhood in which he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court, day and year aforesaid.

William Mager
James Mager

4 March 1833
Van A Lawhon
C C

[in his attestation certificate, the judge appears to refer to the two witnesses named above as "William Magee" and "James Majors."

[fn. 60 & 61]

The State of South Carolina
Anderson District

Personally appeared Edward Vandiver and being duly sworn makes the following declaration by way of amending his original application heretofore made for the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832. By reference to the events and for the reflection he is able to say that his first tour of service was commenced on the 7th day of March 1779 and having been out four months and hearing of the indisposition of his wife he hired with his own means a man to substitute him who finished the term of service.

His tour of service under Capt. Thomas Parrott was commenced in June 1780 and continued for two months.

His tour to the 4 Hole Bridge under Capt. Lyles continued for two months commenced in July and being his time that Rawdon was at Orangeburg & Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] in his neighborhood, he is satisfied it was in 1781.

His tour under the same officer in which he was in the battle of Eutaw commenced in August 1781 and continued for some time, knows that he was in actual service for two months at least.

The deponent is not able to give the dates or duration of these tours of duty.

He has answered the First & Second interrogations of Department in his original Declaration. Answer to 3rd Int., He entered the service in 1779 as stated & has lived in this District where he now lives forty years and Ans. 4th, he was a Volunteer. Ans 5th—he was under the command of Green in the last tour above Set forth.

Ans 6—Never had a written discharge except when he hired a substitute when on the first tour-being since lost.

Ans. 7 He has lived as he now does as stated and which is about six miles East of the Court House and is known to about every man who has been in that neighborhood for any length of

time—He is personally known to the members of the Legislature from this District—the officers of court, the Hon. W R Davis, member of Congress, Genl. Earle, Atty Gen'l of the State, and to any inquiry which the Department would make of his neighbors as to his character veracity & Revolutionary reputation, he would cheerfully submit and open to any herein the District capable of making such an inquiry.

Sworn to and subscribed
Oct the 14th 1834 Before
Joseph N Whitner
Not Pub & Q W Ex. Off

his
Edward X Vandiver
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The State of South Carolina

Anderson District We the subscribed citizens of Anderson District certify that we are well acquainted with the applicant Edward Vandiver. He has long been an exemplary member of the Baptist Church. He always sustained an ineepochable [irreproachable] for veracity and character and is esteemed unrevocably [irrevocably] to have been a soldier of the Revolution—October 14th 1834.

Thos L Carpenter

A N McFall
William Steele
John McFall, Jr.
A Evens
F W Symmes
James E Reese
A O Norris
Y D Fant
C Orr

(page 62 on footnote)

Joseph N Whitner verifies that he is a Notary Public personally acquainted with Edward Vandiver. 17th March 1834

Thos A Lawhon, Clerk of the Court, certifies that Joseph N Whitner was a Notary at the proceedings. 17th March 1834

Additional transcriptions made by Will Graves

[fn p. 7: On July 24, 1845 in Anderson District South Carolina, Mrs. Catharine Vandiver, 79 years old, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Edward Vandiver who was a private in the war of the revolution having entered the service in Fairfield district South Carolina; that she married him in Fairfield District South Carolina on June 16, 1789; that they were married by a man named Wilkinson a "Dunkard Preacher"; that her husband died in said Fairfield District July 20 1837.]

[fn p. 8: On July 24, 1845 in Anderson District South Carolina Samuel Dawson, 80, gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of Edward Vandiver to Catharine Pool in Fairfield District.]

[fn p. 12: On November 11, 1853, in Anderson District South Carolina Edward Vandiver, Junior executed a power of attorney authorizing his attorney L Blanchard True to pursue in you claims he might have as the heir of his father Edward Vandiver and or his mother Catharine Vandiver.]

[fn p. 22: note on the file that the reason for the rejection of this claim is "He did not serve six months."]

[fn p. 25: certificate from the South Carolina Comptroller General dated July 25, 1845 indicating that records in his office showing payments made to Edward Vandiver for 96 days militia duty in 1781 and 82.]

[fn p. 53: on February 9, 1853 in Anderson District South Carolina, Samuel Dawson gave additional testimony stating that Catharine Vandiver died in the fall of the year 1851; that he was present at the marriage of Edward and Catharine Vandiver; that Catharine Vandiver's maiden name was Pool and that she was the daughter of Adam Pool; that he, Samuel Dawson, intermarried with the younger sister of Catherine Vandiver; and that he is, Samuel Dawson's, oldest daughter was born January 4, 1794; that shortly after the marriage of Edward and Catherine Vandiver in Fairfield District South Carolina they removed to Pendleton, now Anderson District South Carolina..]

[fn p. 57: Certificate dated May 7, 1835 from the South Carolina Comptroller General showing payments to Edward Vandiver for 30 days service done at Russell's Ferry under Colonel Winn; 28 days duty done at the "Hewtaws" Battle [Battle of Eutaw Springs] under command of Colonel Hopkins; and 38 days duty done at Four Hole Bridge under the command of Colonel Bratton; all such service being certified as having been rendered by certificate dated February 6, 1784 signed by Captain Anamonos Liles; together with an assignment of the right to receive pay due for such service signed by Edward Vandiver authorizing Thomas Lewis to receive such payments.]