

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Edney ¹ R3249

Mary Edney f44NC

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State of North Carolina, County of Camden

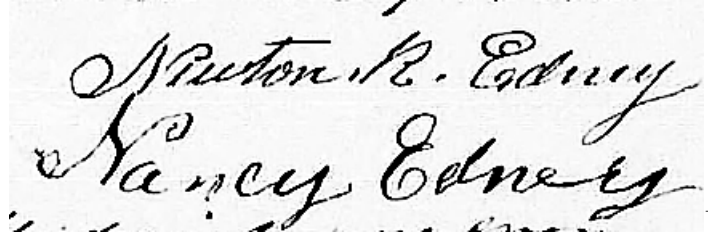
On this 18th day of September A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace, within and for the County and State aforesaid Mary Edney aged eighty-two years, a resident of Camden County in the State of North Carolina who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Robert Edney, deceased, who was a private in the Company commanded by what Captain your petitioner cannot at this time say in the Regiment of militia commanded by General Gregory in the war with Great Britain declared by the United States A.D. 1776, that your petitioner is unable to state at present in what capacity her said husband served, nor is she prepared to say whether he enlisted, volunteered or was drafted, indeed, it would be impossible for her to state the term for which her said husband volunteered, enlisted or was drafted as the case may be -- nor can your claimant say definitely the day of the month or year in which he enlisted, suffice it to say, however, that he served for 14 days in actual service in said war, and was honorably discharged.

She further states that she was married to the said Robert Edney in the state aforesaid on the 6th day of July A.D. 1795 by one John Bond,² that her said husband died in Camden County in the State aforesaid, and that her name before her said marriage was Mary Bond, that the death of her husband occurred on the 15th day of February A.D. 1815,³ and that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under Act passed March 3, 1855.

S/ Mary Edney, X her mark

[Newton R. Edney and Nancy Edney, both residents of Camden County North Carolina, gave a supporting affidavit. Their relationship, if any, to the widow is not stated.]

The image shows two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature reads "Newton R. Edney" and the bottom signature reads "Nancy Edney". Both signatures are written in a fluid, connected style typical of the early 19th century.

¹ BLWt91506-160-55

² in another document the widow states that the marriage took place in the County of Chowan North Carolina

³ in a later document, the widow states her husband died February 15th, 1816

[p 8, copy of a marriage bond dated June 16, 1795, given by Robert Edney and Lemuel Standin [?] for the marriage of Edney to Mary Bond in Chowan County, NC]

[p 12: Certificate dated December 22, 1856 given by George W Brooks, Comptroller of the state of North Carolina in which he states that records in his office reflect that sundry payments for military services during the Revolutionary war show that Robert Edney received an Indent [#] 1160 for £3 in specie at Edenton District November 4th, 1782.]

[p 23: On December 13, 1859 C. H. Brogden, Comptroller for the state of North Carolina gave testimony as follows:

I C. H. Brogden, Comptroller of Public Accounts in and for the State a aforesaid do hereby certify that according to statements in this office the State was composed of 6 Districts in 1780 in which payments or allowances were made for services in the Revolutionary War; and in this arrangement or division the Edenton District was composed of the Counties of Currituck, Pasquotank, Camden, Perquimans, Chowan, Gates, Bertie, Hertford and Tyrell.]