

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stokes Edwards R3265

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State of Illinois, County of Morgan

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September personally appeared before the County Commissioners Court of the County and State aforesaid Stokes Edwards a resident of Morgan County and State of Illinois aged seventy-three years and ten months who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 or 1776 and in the summer of the year with Lieutenant Matthew McCauley and served in the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named officers: \_\_ Wilson Captain of the Company, the name of the Major not recollected; Colonel Shepherd commanded the Regiment; under the above named officers and the petitioner served five months the period of enlistment was three years. The petitioner was a citizen of Orange County in the State of North Carolina: he enlisted in the town of Hillsboro, it being the County seat of Orange in the State of North Carolina and from thence he marched to Kingston [Kinston] in said State and from thence to Tarberry [Tarboro or Tarborough] and from thence to Halifax in North Carolina, and from thence to a small Creek called Ladies Hall where he remained three months and making the whole of five months at the end of which time the petitioner was permitted to return home on furlough; where he remained about two months: the Petitioner then entered the service under the same lieutenant (Matthew McCauley) and again marched from Hillsboro North Carolina under the command of Col. Archibald Lytle, Major John Campbell and Captain James Nelson, through the town of Salisbury North Carolina and from thence to Camblin [sic, Camden] on the Santee River in the State of South Carolina from thence to what was then called the ten mile house, from Charlestown [Charleston], where we remained about ten days, and then went to Purrysburg [Purrysburg] on the Savannah River on the line between South Carolina and Georgia, where we remained about two months we then marched up said River about one hundred miles and there crossed the same into the State of Georgia and fought a battle against the British called the battle of Briar Creek [March 3, 1779], and we were defeated and driven back across the River again into South Carolina, and from thence back to Hillsboro, North Carolina making the whole term for which he enlisted.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any Statements

S/ Stokes Edwards



Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Woods

S/ James Greene

S/ William Gillham, Commissioners

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State of North Carolina, Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the state aforesaid, do certify that the name of Stokes Edwards does not appear on the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, or any other document in this office of ordering evidence of service in said line.

Given under my hand this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 1835.

S/ Wm Hill

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State of North Carolina, Orange County

This day Allen Edwards came before us Thomas Brewer & William Moore acting Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath in due form of law first being sworn upon the holy evangelist of Almighty God to depose and sayeth to wit that Stoakes [sic] Edwards listed [sic, enlisted] a Soldier in the Revolutionary war for three years under Matthew McCauley and he further states that the said Stokes Edwards was under age at that time and he further states that he was present at the time and place when the troops was about to start and the Deponent further states that he has good reasons to believe and does believe that he served the full time out that he understood when he returned home that he had a Clear Discharge from the officer he served under. Sworn to and subscribed the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1834

Witness: S/ Thomas Brewer, JP

S/ Allen Edward [sic], X his mark

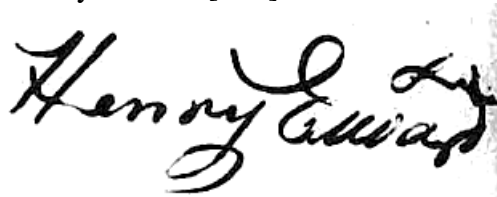
S/ Wm Moore

State of North Carolina, Orange County

This day Henry Edward [sic, Henry Edwards?] came before us Thomas Brewer & William Moore acting Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and Made oath in due form of law first being sworn on the holy evangelist of Almighty God to depose the truth and nothing but the truth Depose and saith to wit that Stokes Edwards listed a Soldier and the Revolutionary War for the term of three years and he further states that he understood that the said Stoakes Edwards served his time out and got a Clear Discharge from the officers he served under. Sworn to and subscribed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1834

Witness: S/ Thomas Brewer, JP

S/ Henry Edward [sic?]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Edward". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Edward".

S/ Wm Moore