

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Nelson R7587

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State of Alabama, County of Blount }

On this 20th day of August 1833 personally appeared before the Judge of County Court of Blount County Edward Nelson a resident of Murphree's Valley in the County of Blount and State of Alabama aged Seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the war Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the month of September in the year 1780 with Lieutenant Friarson¹ in the Company of Captain Joseph Wawly² and served in the Regiment of the Continental Line under the following named officers he enlisted & served in the Company of the said Captain Joseph Wawley in the Battalion of Major Hamilton and the Regiment of Colonel Pheonix Wawley³ under General Ugee [sic, Isaac Huger of South Carolina?] and at the time of his enlistment resided in the County of Chatham in the State of North Carolina and after he was enlisted he was marched to the Muddy Fort on the Congaree River in North Carolina [sic, the Congaree River is in South Carolina] and remained Stationed there about one year and we were then marched to and encamped at the Four Holes on Wasmasaw and remained there several months But less than one year and we were then marched and encamped some time at Bacons Bridge [in South Carolina] & the British then in Charleston and remained a short time at Bacons Bridge & then marched to the mouth of Ashley River and remained encamped there until the month of April in the year 1783 when the Cessation of Hostilities was ordered and the said Edward Nelson having enlisted for During the War went home on Furlough and was not called on to return again upon Duty he was a private Soldier during his Enlistment. He was in no General engagement. He was in a skirmish against a Tory commander called General Cunningham between Muddy Fort & Four Holes-- Cunningham Commanded a Troop of Horse & was immediately Routed, a party of British Horsemen again fired upon us near Bacons Bridge but they immediately retreated and left us – without coming to a general engagement he having gone home on furlough never received a written Discharge – nor never got his pay nor Bounty of Land.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency in any State.

S/ Edward Nelson, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Mace W. Brindley, Clerk

¹ POSSIBLY a reference to Lt. John Frierson of the 5th SC Regiment

² POSSIBLY a reference to Capt. Joseph Warley of the 3rd SC Regiment

³ POSSIBLY a reference to Capt. Felix Warley of the 3rd SC Regiment.