

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Reuben Edwards S16376

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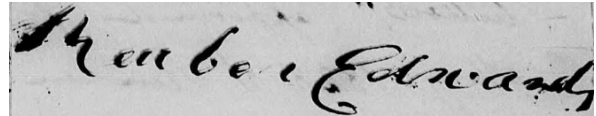
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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of “An act for the relief of Certain surviving officers & soldiers of the Army of the Revolution,” approved on the 15th day of May 1828 I Reuben Edwards of the County of Henry & State of Georgia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service till its termination at which period I was a private in Capt. Benj’a Roade’s [Benjamin Rhodes?] Company of the second Regiment of the North Carolina Line Commanded by Col. Thaxton [sic: James Thackston]. And also I declare that I afterwards received a certificate for Eighty Dollars to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th day of May 1778.

And I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the pension List of the United States.



[Witnessed by John Barnhill (pension application S16318) and Jacob Stillwell (S31993). The above claim was not allowed, possibly because of a lack of proof that Edwards served in the Continental Army to the end of the war as required under the act of 1828.]

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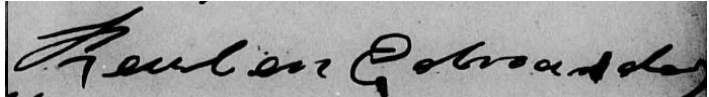
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on the 27th day of November in the year eighteen Hundred and Thirty two personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Inferior Court of said County now sitting, Reuben Edwards, a resident in the Eleventh District of Henry County state of Georgia aged seventy three years the twelfth day of January eighteen Hundred and thirty two – who being first duly sworn according to law doth on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 Viz – that he enlisted or volunteered in the army of the United States in the year 1778. He thinks in the month of May in that year under (second) Col Archibald Lightell [sic: Lt. Col. Archibald Lytle] in the town of Hillsborough Orange County North Carolina. Col. Thaxton was first Col. Deponent served in the Continental line in the second regiment under the following officers Viz – Genls Sumpter [sic: Jethro Sumner], Col. James Thaxton, Major John Armstrong, Capt [Thomas] Rhodes & Lieut [?] Lewis. he left the service in September 1779. he was discharged by Col. Lightell at Sallsbury [sic: Salisbury] North Carolina – received a written discharge, but it is lost or mislaid. He resided at the time of entering the service in the County of Wake North Carolina, was not in any regular Battle. was sick at the time of the Battle of Stono [Stono Ferry SC, 20 Jun 1779]. He marched to Padersburgh [sic: Petersburg] Va – then through N.C. S.C., and into the state of Georgia. Then back to N.C. where he was discharged.

Again Deponent was drafted in the Militia of N. Carolina, in Franklin County & served Three months under Capt. Olford [sic: Julius Alford] – General [Horatio] Gates was highest in Command – Col. Sowell next [sic: Benjamin Seawell, but see endnote], – [Cader] Parker Brigade Major – he was in Gates Defeat near Campden, S.C. [sic: Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780] march’d from Franklin County N.C. through Wake, Chatham, Anson into S.C. was discharged at Wake Court House by written discharge – which has been lost, does not know how long

again Deponent volunteered in a Horse Company under Capt. William Ferril [sic: William Ferrell], Franklin County N.C. marched to Tarboro, Halifax, Hillsboro [sic: Hillsborough] to Haw River. Hung Three Tories and kept the Balance in awe. served two months and was discharged by Capt. William Ferril in Wake County N.C. at Isaac Hunters where Major Griffin was present. Deponent lived until one

year after the war was ended in N.C. then moved to Georgia Wilks [sic: Wilkes] County from there to Green [sic: Greene] from there to Morgan from there to Jasper and then to Henry County in Georgia John Barnhill was with Deponent in the Continental line. he is now present and will make application for a pension. he is known to James Henry & John T. Bently – Justices of the Inferior Court – William Camp & Jno Treadwell Esqrs and the Rev'd Joshua Calloway, James Sellers, James Shaw & others residing in Henry County – Matthew Whitfield & Howard Banes of Jasper – Joel Baggett & Abraham Baggett of Morgan County – Jonas Firth[?] & John Aimer of Greene – Peter Stroshier & Josiah Kitchens of Wilkes County Georgia. he was known to Henry Green, Peter Goodwin of Franklin County N.C. He hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to pension or annuity except the present and declares tht his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state Sworn to and subscribed this 27th Nov. 1832

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew G. Broadhead". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

NOTE: Maj. Gen. Baron de Kalb was second in command under Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden.