Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward McFadden S2790

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' or 'undeciphered' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention. Researchers should not rely solely on the transcripts but should review the originals for themselves. These transcripts are intended as an aid to research, not to be used in lieu thereof.]

State of Tennessee Maury County}

On this the fourth day of September in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable William B. Reese one of the judges of the Court of Chancery now sitting, Edward McFaddin [sic] a resident of Maury County in the State of Tennessee aged about ninety two years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he entered the militia service as a volunteer in the militia of Chester District South Carolina about the year 1775, and served under one Capt. Patton -- that he was in the battle of the snow camps on Raburn's Creek in Laurens District -- when Tory Robertson was routed and about 150 prisoners taken. Col. Richardson [Richard Richardson] was commandant. This tour lasted about six weeks.

The next tour of duty he served was as a drafted militia man under the same Capt. Patton [Robert Patton], & one Col. John Gwin [sic, probably John Winn], in this tour which lasted about three months, he lay opposite Augusta.

The next tour was under Capt. George Neely in which he was drafted -- Col. Lacey [Edward Lacey] commanded -- in this tour he was stationed at the Congaree Fort -- after that General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] took the Command & the Army was encamped at a place called Brown's old field near Ancrum's ferry -- where they waited to hear the result of the siege of Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781]. In this tour of duty he was out two months -- when he was discharged.

The next tour was under Capt. Cooper as a drafted man when he acted as Quarter master, and was out about seven or eight weeks. That in none of the tours of duty that he served was he in any battle. Col. Mills was commandant.

This applicant states that he was born in Ireland on the 5th of July 1740³ O. S. which

¹ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html

² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of ninety six.html

³ Here the veteran begins to answer the 7 interrogatories promulgated by the War Department to be put to each applicant for a pension. Those 7 interrogatories were as follows:

^{1&}lt;sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

^{2&}lt;sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

^{3&}lt;sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do

record he now has at home. He emigrated to South Carolina late in the year 1772 where he resided until the year 1817 -- when he removed to Maury County Tennessee where he now resides. That he does not know of any individual now living by whom he can prove his services, nor has he any documents by which the same can be established. That he is known to Moses A. Wiley & Jacob Gellham who reside in his present neighborhood who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief as to his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said Edward McFaddin hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid S/W. E. Gillespie, Clk & Master

S/. Edward McFadden

[Moses A. Wiley and Jacob Gellham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee Maury County} Edward McFaden [sic], about ninety three years of age; a resident, of said his State and County, has personally appeared before me, John O Cooke, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County: this 31st day of August 1833, who being first duly sworn, agreeable to law doth make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed on the 7th of June 1832, for the benefit of officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated as near as he can recollect. That he entered the service as a volunteer in the month of January 1775, in a company of militia in Chester District in the State of South Carolina commanded by Capt. Robert Patton in a Regiment commanded by Col. John Winn, in which service he continued two months; and acted as a private soldier, in which time we marched to Reedy River; & routed Tory Robinson & his party & made prisoners of upwards of 120 of his party. Col. Richardson was the commandant that tour. The next tour of duty he served was as a drafted militia man, under the same Capt. Patton, and Col. John Winn, which he entered in the month of March 1776. General Williams or Williamson [Andrew Williamson] I do not recollect which his name was, had the command and we was marched to Savannah River, opposite to Augusta in Georgia, where we continued three months and was legally discharged.

The next tour he served was under Capt. George Neely of said Chester District in which he was a private, in a drafted militia company, that he entered the service he thinks in June 1777 or 1778. And was stationed at the Congaree Fort; after which Capt. Thomas had the command of

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

you now live?

^{5&}lt;sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

^{6&}lt;sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it? 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

the Fort; he lay at said Fort some time, he does not recollect precisely the length of time; until General Sumter came to the Fort and; we was then marched to a place called Brown's old fields, near Ancrum's ferry, where we waited to hear the result of the siege of Ninety Six. That he was in the service at that time, two months, or perhaps more though does not precisely recollect the length of time and was regularly discharged.

The next tour he was drafted as a private in a militia company, commanded by Capt. Jacob Cosper [could by Cooper] in Col. John Millses [John Mills'] Regiment, which was in the month of October, though does not recollect what year; that they was marched to Orangeburg in South Carolina, and placed under the command of Col. John Henderson, and continued there until the British left Charleston [December 1782]; though does not recollect the length of time they continued their; that he was appointed quarter master immediately after arriving at Orangeburg, & continued to act in that department during their continuation at that place, which was until he was discharged.

This applicant states that he was born in Ireland on the 5th of July 1740 O. S. agreeable to the records in his possession. That he emigrated to South Carolina in the year 1772 where he resided until the year 1817 when he removed to Maury County, State of Tennessee where he now resides. That he does not know of any person living by whom he can prove his services, Nor has he any documents by which the same can be established. That the discharges which he obtained, during said revolutionary war are lost, or so mislaid that he cannot find them. That from lapse of time, his old age, and defect of memory he cannot recollect precisely the length of time he served nor the precise dates, having no papers, or documents to aid his memory. That he is known to Jacob Gilham and Moses A. Wiley who reside in his present neighborhood & who can testify as to his veracity, and their belief of his services in the Revolutionary war. And the said Edward McFaden hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year above written

S/ John O. Cooke, JP

S/ Edward McFadden

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8½ months in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to Edward McFadden pp 6 Audited Account No. 5037

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⁴ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the Just take me to the search page link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

[No. 301 Book L dated October 16, 1784]

Mr. Edward McFadden his Account of 52 days Militia Duty &c in 1781 & 1782 Amounting to £10.5.4 ¼ Stg. [Sterling]

Ex^d. W. G. [Examined by William Galvan]

J. M^c. A. G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

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L1 3		
State of South Carolina to Edward McFadden	Dr.	£ S D
Duty Done under Capt. George Neely		
Commenced the 31 st Day of May 1781		
18 Days foot duty 10 Shillings [old SC currency]		
per day		9.0.0
Duty Done under Capt. Jacob Cooper		
Commenced the 1 st Day of November 1782		
34 Days Quarter Master Duty 1.15 per day		59.10.0
3 Bushels of wheat £1.2.6 per bushel		3.7.6
		<u>71.17.6</u>
		10.5.4 1/4

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Received the 16 October 1780 for full Satisfaction for the within Account in Indent No. 301 Book L4 £10.5.4 ¼ Sterling by an Order





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I do hereby empower the Bearer Mr. John War [sic] to receive an Indent to the amount of my Account for Services &c against the State

Edwd mcFadden



To Peter Bocquet & Edward Blake Esquire's Treasurers of the State of So. Carolina

The above was signed and acknowledged before me the 27th Day of May 1785 Jas. Knox JP