

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Dycus S3314

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State of Tennessee Jackson County: On this 14th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court before the court of pleas & quarter Sessions in said County now sitting Edward Dycus a resident in the County of Jackson & State of Tennessee aged eighty 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 act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

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

Applicant was drafted in the service of the United States in Rutherford County North Carolina under one Captain McKiney [sic, McKinney?] at a place called McKiney's Fort [sic, McKinney's Fort?] the 1st of June 1778, he remained at this place during the summer occasionally scouring the country after the Indians, this was a tour of three months, after his tour expired he was discharged by Captain McKiney but his discharge has been lost for many years.

The next year to wit 1779 month not recollected he was drafted under Captain Nevill he thinks William Nevill [William Neville?] commanded by Colonel Baylas Earle [Bayless or Baylis Earle] in Rutherford County North Carolina was principally stationed at Colonel Earle's Block House to guard it from the Indians & was chiefly employed in scouting the Country on horseback, he then resided in Rutherford County North Carolina, applicant knows of but one man living in this country who he is informed was there, to wit, Yelverton Nevill, but they were not been acquainted & were not ever situated to know anything of each other's services in fact was never acquainted with him or knew that he was there until they moved to the Western country this was a tour of three months. From Rutherford County North Carolina applicant moved over into South Carolina & was drafted in the year 1780 he thinks month not recollected under the following officers Lieutenant Denard [?], Captain James & Major Ford & marched in company with about one hundred men across the country he thinks about three hundred miles passing a place called the For Holds & by Orangeburg where the soldiers drew their guns & joined General Greene's Army near Charleston while he was stationed in Greene's Army at this place the British Army had possession of Charleston he thinks he did not serve his three months out before he was discharged by Captain James who commanded his company but served two months in this tour & if he got a written discharge he has long since lost it believing that no paper he got during the war would ever be of any service to him, applicant received a written discharge from Captain McKiney in his first tour but it has been lost for many years. He is certain that in all his service during the revolution he was eight months in actual service, knows of no living witness nor has he any documentary evidence by which he can prove his services. Jones Griffith a clergyman & Roulston Ray a respectable man of his neighborhood will testify to his

character for veracity & their belief of his services which he is the best proof he can make.

Applicant was born in Rowan County North Carolina he thinks the 27th of January 1753 -- the record of his age was in his father's Bible which was carried to Kentucky a number of years ago by a man by the name of Lee. As before stated applicant lived in Rutherford County North Carolina when he first entered the service, from there he moved into South Carolina then moved back to North Carolina, from thence to stones River in Rutherford County Tennessee & then to Jackson County Tennessee where he now lives and has lived for the last 20 years.

He 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 except the present.

Subscribed & sworn to the day & year aforesaid

S/ William Gailbreath, Clerk

S/ Edward Dycus, X his mark

[Jones Griffith, a clergyman, and Roulston Ray gave the standard supporting affidavit.]