

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Wiett S3557

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State of Tennessee Anderson County: SS On the 17th day of October 1832 Personally appeared before me Edward Hawkins one of the acting Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the said County Edward Wiett a resident of said County and State at his own house in the said County of Anderson and State of Tennessee he being unable to attend Court by reason of old age and bodily infirmity aged 76 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 and served as herein stated. He resided in Shenandoah County Virginia at which place in the month of January 1780 he was drafted for a three month tour under Captain Darby Downey in Colonel Edmons' [Edmond's] Regiment of militia rendezvoused at Stovers [?] Town marched to purmanco [? Pamunkey?] river ^{there we joined General Stephens' Brigade [Edward Stevens' brigade]} crossed it at the ground squirrel Bridge thence to the mareben hills [Malvern Hills] on James River lay there four weeks thence to the neighborhood [of] York town lay there till our time was out and was there discharged in the month of April 1780 his discharge was signed by said Captain Downey which discharge is lost he served at this time three months.

Again while residing at the place last aforesaid and about the first of May 1780 he substituted for a three month tour in the room and stead of Joseph Allen under Captain Thomas Marshall and Colonel Edmonds Regiment of militia rendezvoused at Miller's town marched to the Purmunca [Pamunkey?] River crossed it at the ground Squirrel Bridge then marched to mavben hills [Malvern Hills] there we joined General Stehenses Brigade lay there several weeks then we marched to Chickahominy River lay there some time thence to the Cider Swamps to a place called H_ burnt enery [burnt ordinary 11 miles NW of Williamsburg] lay there some time and was there honorably discharged on or about the first of August 1780 his discharge was signed by the said Captain Marshall but is now lost he served at this time 3 months

Again while living at a place last aforesaid sometime in May 1781 he was drafted for a 3 months tour under Captain John Richardson in Colonel Edmons' Regiment of Militia Rendezvoused at Millers town Marched to Purmonca River [Pamunkey River?] crossed at the ground Squirrel Bridge thence to Chickahominy River thence to the burnt ornery [burnt ordinary] lay there till time was out & was then honorably discharged sometime in the month of August 1781 his discharge was signed by said Captain Richardson but is now lost he served at this time three months he served in the whole nine months. The first tour above written was served as an Ensign he was commissioned by Colonel Abraham Bird to serve as Ensign to serve that tour and he did perform the office of Ensign during the whole tour his commission is now lost. He has no documentary evidence and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to his service. He 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. There is no clergyman residing immediately in his neighborhood nor none that he knows of by whom he can prove the report of his service.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Edward Hawkins, JP

S/ Edward Wiett, X his mark

[Dan Maddox and John White gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Anderson County: SS

On this 8th day of April 1833 Personally appeared before me Edward Hawkins an acting Justice of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for said County Edward Wiett a resident of the said County and State in the County of Anderson in State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his pension declaration which declaration was made at his own house and bears date October 17th 1832 and was numbered in the War Department No. 17332 and sent back for amendment. He was born in Bucks County in the State of Pennsylvania on the 3rd day of January 1755 which made him 77 years instead of 76 at the time he made his said declaration. He has a record of his age in a book called *Aristattles [sic, Aristotle's] Masterpiece*. He is known in his present neighborhood to Thomas White, Edward Hawkins Esquire, John Maddox and Thomas Hagler all of whom he believes would testify that they believe him to be a man of veracity and that they believe he served as a soldier of the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Edward Hawkins

S/ Edward Wiett, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]