

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edmund Paine S3624

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[State of Tennessee, Lawrence County]

On this 8th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court the County Court of Lawrence County at October Term 1833 Edmund Pain [sic] a resident citizen of Lawrence County aged seventy two years on the ninth day of April 1834 who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to attain the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in May 1776 in Pittsylvania County State of Virginia for six months under Captain Peter Perkins & Col. Christy [sic, William Christian] in the ____ Regiment of the Virginia line that he served out his tour & was discharged in the Cherokee nation on Hiwassee River then North Carolina now Tennessee, that he never asked for a discharge in that or any other campaign in which he served because he believed them to be of no value & when his time expired & he was so informed by his commanding officer he went his way, that he volunteered for one year under Captain William Underwood in Wilkes County State of North Carolina in the Spring of 1778 that he served out his term & was discharged in the same County at the expiration of his term, that he afterwards served as a minute man whenever he was needed, until the end of the War. When he enlisted for six months in Virginia he marched against Lord Dunmore at pine top [Pine Top] & drove him off¹ & then marched against the Cherokees. In the second campaign he was engaged against the Tories & the only remarkable engagement he had was with the Tories at the Shallow Ford [October 14, 1780]² of the Adkin [sic, Yadkin] River, that he was in the battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780]³ under the command of Colonel Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland] when in the minute service but for that he claims nothing, but he claims for Eighteen months six of which were served in the Virginia line & twelve as a volunteer in the State of North Carolina. He marched in his tours through the State of Virginia & North Carolina, that he was born & resided in Pittsylvania Virginia & enlisted or six months in said County & State, that he volunteered in Wilkes County State of North Carolina, that while a regular soldier he was under the command of Captain Perkins & Col. Christy, that when he was a volunteer for twelve months he was not in company with any of the regular troops that he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his

¹ Probably a reference to an engagement with Lord Dunmore (last royal governor of VA) which culminated at Gwynn Island: July 8-10, 1776, Gwynn Island <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/1776-skirmish/#760709>

² http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_shallow_ford.html

³ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_kings_mountain.html

service but believes his first service he is shown by the records of the Department. 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 or Territory.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. He also swears that he has no acquaintance with any clergyman in the County & has not been in the habit of associating with clergymen has been a Soldier and [illegible word] explains his habits.

S/ Edmund Paine, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court 8th October 1833.

S/ M. H. Buchanan, Clk

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State of Tennessee, Lawrence County Court of Pleas & Order Sessions July Term 1834

On this 8th day of July 1834 personally appeared in Open Court Edmund Paine & makes the following Statement as a Supplement to his former application for a Pension that as he stated he turned out under Captain William Underwood for one year that he lived in the State of Virginia in Henry County within one or two miles of the North Carolina line. He knows that he served out one year & served out every day of said year the place he joined Underwood was in Wilkes County State of North Carolina, that the whole of his service was in the light Horse company during the whole year, that there was thirty three men turned out at the same time, that another company was raised by Salathile Martin [sic, Salathiel Martin] of the same number & that both went against the Tories in North Carolina & scouted in different sections but sometimes acted in associate [sic Association?], that he called his mode of turning out volunteering but perhaps it was enlisting technically & if at the time he turned out there was no law allowing a soldier to volunteer for one year, he enlisted if so it is called for there was a law under which he either volunteered or enlisted under Underwood & served in the Horse Company for one whole year and he knows that his name was on Underwood's Rolls & he believes he still is if the Board will search the Rolls of Underwood's Horse company, that he was while serving in the said year at three skirmishes with the Tories at the Shallow Ford of the Aadkin [sic, Yadkin River], that it may be possible that he is mistaken as to the dates stated in his application that he cannot still recollect the dates any better. He hopes that the Roll of Underwood's light Horse Company may be examined & the Roll of N. C. enlisted soldiers be examined & he believes that the justice of his application will fully appear. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the date above.

S/ Edmund Paine, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court the 8 July 1834.

S/ M H. Buchanan, Clerk

[Alexander Miller and Hensam [?] Day gave the standard supporting affidavit.]