

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edmund Singleton S38373

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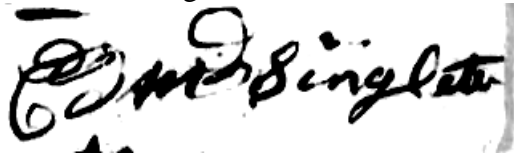
The State of South Carolina

By the Honorable John S Richardson Esquire one of the Associate Judges of the said State and presiding Magistrate in the Western Circuit of the state aforesaid.

To all to whom these presents shall [indecipherable word] be seen or made known Greeting. –

Know ye that this day that Edmund Singleton of the District of Pendleton in the Western Circuit of the State aforesaid Laborer did appeared before me and made solemn oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he enlisted in the Continental Army in the Summer of the year 1776 at Amelia Court House in Virginia into the 4th Troop commanded by Captain Lewallen Jones [named variously spelled Lewellin, Lewellen, Lewelling Jones] of the first Regiment of Light Dragoons of the American line the Troop was afterwards commanded by Captain Spotsed Dandridge [Alexander Spotswood Dandridge ] – This deponent was marched first to Williamsburg from there to Fredericksburg, Baltimore, Philadelphia and to Morristown in New Jersey where they joined General Washington's Army. This deponent was in the engagement at the Strawberry Hills [Battle of Punk Hill (Amboy) New Jersey, March 8, 1777] in New Jersey commanded by Colonel Bland was at the Battle at Monmouth [June 28, 1778]. This deponent was in many Engagements and employed in Scouting parties at various times while in New Jersey and in that quarter. – This deponent was afterwards marched to Winchester in Virginia and discharged there by Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin Temple. This deponent soon after lost his discharge. That he is a very poor man in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support.

S/Edmund Singleton



Sworn to & before me this 28th day of October in the year of 1819 and in the 44th year of the Sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this Court the date above written.

S/ John S Richardson

The State of South Carolina Pendleton District: Before me personally came Edmund Singleton and made oath, That he was discharged from the United States or the Continental Service in time of the War the Revolution in the month of December succeeding the Battle of Monmouth &c in the same year and that he was in the Battle of Monmouth, that he has not now any memorandum

by which he can precisely state the day but that he does know that he fully served the Term of his Enlistment – And had an Honorable Discharge signed by Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin Temple. He this deponent enlisted for two years and a half and did actually serve as stated & sworn to before the Honorable John S Richardson – Esquire one of the Associate Judges of the said State. To which this is intended as a Supplement – As the said John S Richardson resides in the City of Charleston & this deponent has not the means of going to him to amend his said Affidavit – This deponent further swears that the whole of the said oath dated 28th day of October 1819 is True and that he needs the assistance of his Country for support.

S/ Edmund Singleton

#### Schedule

The State of South Carolina Pendleton District

On this 26 day of October 1820, personally appeared in open Court in the Court of General Sessions of the peace oyer and Terminer Assize and General Gaol delivery for the said District in the State aforesaid being a Court of Record Edmund Singleton aged 66 years, resident in Pendleton District in the said State, who, being 1st duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted under Captain Lewallen Jones of the 1st Light Horse Regiment, commanded by Colonel Theodorick Blann [Theodorick Bland], Virginia Line, was in the battles at Strawberry Hills and Monmouth. Original declaration was made on the 28th day of October 1819 Number of Pension Certificate 17,351. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. One mare and colt, two cows and calves and two yearlings, twenty-three head of Hogs. By occupation a farmer. The Reason of his Deponent's belly is broke which unables [sic] him to do any work almost. Wife Elizabeth aged 59 who is very often unable to do anything; Robert aged 32 years who has always been very sickly and has not got his health yet. Thomas aged 19 who is unable to do anything, Jincy age 17, Overstreet aged 15 years; of which the two youngest of the family only are able to do much towards their support. One ax, one mattock, one pot, one oven, 2 plows, and 2 pair trace chains. Sworn to and declared on the 26th day of October 1820

S/ Edmd. Singleton

Before Abm Nott [Abraham Nott] Presiding Judge

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The State of South Carolina Abbeville District: I James Collier do solemnly swear that during the Revolutionary War I got acquainted with Edmund Singleton in the State of Virginia. That he enlisted in the Continental Army in the Summer of the year 1776 under Captain Lewallen Jones in 4 Troop of the first Regiment of the Light Dragoons of the Virginia Line the troop was afterwards commanded by Captain Spotsed Dandridge. The said Singleton and myself were well acquainted but both belonged to the same Troop for a long time. We were in many Engagements

together. I have always thought him an honest man, and a brave and good Soldier, and that his oath or word is worthy of credit and ought to be received as correct and true.

S/ James Collier

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Collier". The script is cursive and fluid, with a long horizontal stroke at the end of the name.

[f p. 12: On September 7th, 1837 in Pickens District South Carolina, Edmund Singleton who identified himself as having belonged to the company commanded by Captain Lew. Jones in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Bland filed an affidavit in which he states he anticipates moving to Forsyth County Georgia and wanted to make arrangements to have his pension paid in the state of Georgia. He gave it is his reason for moving that he has three sons living there who he desires to go and live amongst.]

[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 28, 1819, for service as a private for 2 1/2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]