Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of William Eagle S39480 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 5 Oct 2019.

State of Virginia Pendleton County to wit.

On this sixth day of January 1830 personally appeared in open court, for the county of Pendleton, aforesaid, William Egle, or William Egles, or William Eagles, aged sixty nine years, and a resident in the aforesaid county of Pendleton, who, being first duly sworn according to Law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress, of the 18th of March 1818, and the first of May 1820, that he, the said William Egle, or William Egles, or William Eagles, enlisted for the term of three years, on or about the 24th day of December in the year 1776, in the state of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Stead or Sted or Steed, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Nevil or Neville [Capt. John Steed BLWt1919-300 in the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. John Nevill BLWt1595-500] in the line of the State of Virginia, on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said Corps until September 18th 1778, when he was discharged from the said service, as unfit for duty, in consequence of bodily disability, in Ramapo in the State of New Jersey – That he was in the Battles of — and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the testimony of Jeremiah Odell [S8905] – his discharge having been destroyed by fire.

And in pursuance of the act of 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th 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.

		Schedule
100	acres rough rocky Land	\$100.00
8	head Sheep	8.00
3	head cattle	. 20.00
1	mare and Colt	. 25.00
4	head Hogs	4.50
1	Rifle gun	7.00
House-hold & kitchen furniture 8.00		
Debts	s owing to me	0.00
		172.50

I am owing debts to the amount of \$8.00. I am a Blacksmith by trade but have neither shop nor tools and am unable to do much labour in consequence of age and infirmity, and a rupture, which injures me much, and which I got in the service of my country, by a fall from a Bridge — I have a wife about Thirty five years old – one child, a son, George Washington, his name, six years old – my wife's name Mary Ann – who both reside with me, and contribute little or nothing to their support – they are dependent on my labour — William hisXmark Eagles

Nicholas County, To wit,

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for said County Jeremiah Odle Sen'r of Lawful age and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that some time in the

year one thousand seven hundred & seventy six he was present at the house of his father Elijah Odle in the County of Shanandoah [sic: Shenandoah] and seen William Egle or Egles or William Eagle or Eagles enlist and receive the bounty as a regular soldier in the army of the Revolution and that he the said William Egle or Egles or William Eagle or Eagles under said enlistment went from the said County of Shanandoah into the service of the United States under a certain Captain Stead or Sted and after the expiration of about two years the said William Egle or Egles or William Eagle or Eagles returned to the neighbourhood in the County of Shanandoah from which he started and the affiant further states that from a conversation with said Egle or Egles or Eagle or Eagles that he has reason to believe that said Eagle or Eagles or Egles or Egles now resides in the County of Pendleton Virginia and after the return of the said William Egle or Egles or William Eagle or Eagles to thee County of Shanandoah where he Enlisted I seen his discharge from said service

Sworn to and subscribed this the 7th day of December 1829

I William Eagle of the County of Pendleton and State of Virginia, late a soldier in the army of the united states, in the war of the Revolution, do make the following additional affidavit, in order to enable me to obtain a pension –

from O dell

on the 18th day of March 1818 I owned three head of Horse beasts – one an old mare, and she died in the Big gap – one other also an old mare about 15 years, which I sold to William Maloney for the making of 2200 Rails – he failing to make the rails I took a Gun from him, which I sold for \$4.00 in cash last winter, which I have laid out in necessaries for myself and family, and paid my taxes with a part of it – The third a white Horse which I sold to Daniel Sheeves about seven years ago, for a Note on Caleb Peacock for \$25.00 and [several words lined through] \$15.00 paid by Daniel Sheeves to Jesse Hinkles Exors [Executors] in part for the price of a set of Blacksmiths tools which I purchased at their sale, and being unable to pay the balance, Martin Wise took them and paid the Balance, and still keeps them, granting to me the priviledge of doing my smiths work on and with them, in his shop, during my lifetime

On the 18th of March 1818 I owned 165 acres of Land which I had purchased from Jno Troxall for which I was to pay him \$200 – I lived on it four years and paid him \$100 and finding myself unable to pay the balance, sold it to Gabriel Cultice for \$350 – \$100 of which was paid by Cuttice to Troxall for the balance of my purchase – \$175. another part of the proceeds of the sale, was paid by Cuttice to Jesse Hinkles Exors. for the Land I now own, and the balance \$75 was paid to James Jeffries my step son who lived with me when I purchased the Land from Hinkle, and who undertook to keep me and my wife, during our life time, in consideration for which, at the request of his mother (my wife) I agreed that the deed should be made to him from Jesse Henkle, for the Land on which I now live; the deed was accordingly made to James Jeffries – But he failing to comply with his engagement, in supplying myself and wife with the necessaries of life He agreed, in consideration of the \$75 aforesaid, and also the further consideration of the Note above mentioned on Caleb Peacock, for \$25.00, received from Daniel Sheever in part pay for the white Horse, to reconvey the Land to me, which he accordingly done by deed, bearing date on the 30th day of March 1827.

On the 18^{th} of March 1818 I owned four cows – three of which died – soon after – the 4^{th} I kept for some years, and sold her to Jacob Claytor for 9.00 – part of which I took in leather, and he paid me 4 in money —

On the 18th day of March 1818 I owned a sort of set Blacksmiths Tools, consisting of an old cast Anvil, old Bellows &c – which I gave to Adam Lough in exchange for a pair of mill stones, which I sold to Daniel Sheevy for \$10.00 last fall, which I took out in salt and other necessaries for my family.

William hisXmark Eagle

Sworn to and declared in open Court April 7th 1830.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I do Certify that William Eagle enlisted in April 1776 for two years 8 Va Reg't. at the expiration of which time he reinlisted for the war and continued in Actual Service till discharged by Declaration of Congress for discharging the Army. he serve in [Jonathan] Clark and my Company. 24 Dec. 1784

(Copy)

A. Kirkpatrick [Abraham Kirkpatrick BLWt1210-300]

Late Major Va. Line

The Auditors & Comm'sr will please deliver my Certificates & Land Warr[an]t for the above to Mr Leighton Wood jun.

Wm hisXmark Eagle

Dec. 24 84

J. Carter jr/ Aud'rs Office/ Ap 11 1787

NOTE: The federal file includes copies of two deeds referred to in the last declaration. On 4 Oct 1853 Mary Ann Eagles assigned power of attorney to obtain any benefits available for the service of her late husband.