

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Sweeny S40544

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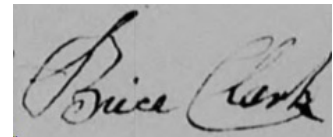
2^d Judicial District of Pennsylvania, ss.

On this thirteenth day of June 1818, before me the subscriber, President Judge of the said district, personally appears Edward Sweeny aged 67 years, resident in Leacock Township, Lancaster County in the said district, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:" That he the said Edward Sweeny enlisted in Lancaster in the state of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain William West, in Col Shees [John Shee's] Battalion of the Pennsylvania Line; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until after the Capture of Cornwallis in 1781 [19 Oct 1781], when he was discharged from service at Winchester in the state of Virginia, that he was at the battles of, Long Island [26 Aug 1776], Rhode Island [Quaker Hill, 29 Aug 1778], Princeton [3 Jan 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Flatbush and was taken prisoner at Fort Washington [16 Nov 1776] and remained a prisoner for about 3 months at New York when he was exchanged and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. That his enlistment took place in the year 1775 or 1776 and that he served for five years & upwards

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid. Edward hisXmark Sweeny
Walter Franklin

Lancaster County Ss.

On the twenty fifth day of August A.D. 1819 personally appeared before me the subscriber President of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County Brice Clarke Esqr of said County, aged seventy eight years [illegible word] who being affirmed according to Law declareth & saith that he knew the within named Edward Sweeny prior to the War of the Revolution – that he served this affirmant as a Servant That very early in the Revolutionary War, either in the year 1775 or 1776 he enlisted in the Pennsylvania line under Captain William West, and marched away with him. That this affirmant verily believes he served in the War of the Revolution the time stated by him in his declaration – he is well Convinced that he served in the War of the Revolution for upwards of nine months on the Continental establishment.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Lancaster County, ss.

ON this twenty second day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court of Common Pleas of said county, Edward Sweeny aged sixty two years, resident in the City of Lancaster & lately in the poor house in Lancaster county, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in the year 1776, in Capt West's Company, Col. Shee's Reg't. was prisoner at New York, & was at the Battle of Long Island – was again under Capt Stewart was at the taking of Cornwallis at Yorktown, and lost an eye in the engagement – was regularly discharged

That his original declaration was made on the thirteenth day of June 1818 on which was granted a Pension-certificate, dated twentieth of September 1819 numbered 15.042. And 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 persons 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. I have no trade, have no family but my wife Lydia neither of us able to earn a living.

Edward O Sweeny's mark

A SCHEDULE of the property of Edward Sweeney a Soldier in the Revolutionary War, taken August 22^d 1820 No Property

The above contains a correct return of all my property, of whatever kind, necessary bedding and clothing excepted.

Edward O Sweeny's mark