

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Truhitt (Trehwit, Trewit, Trehwitt) S45451 f18NC
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South Carolina, Richland District }

The affidavit of Stephen Trewit [sic] states that he entered the United States Army during the Revolution, at Dobbs County, North Carolina under Captain Arnold Huren [sic Armwell Herron]; which Regiment was commanded by Colonel Shepperd [probably Abraham Shephard]; after his Regiment moved on to the North and at Maryland the Regiment was consolidated and put under the command [of] John Patton Colonel of the 2nd Regiment North Carolina Troops. That he was in the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] – Stony Point [July 16, 1779] and from the North he was carried to Charleston South Carolina, where he was taken a prisoner [at] the time that place fell [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780]. He enlisted first for three years, afterwards for the whole war, he was about six years in the service and was kept a prisoner one month and eight days, from whence he made his escape and went home. He served afterward for one year, he was afterwards in the irregularity & bustle of the times dismissed without a discharge.

Sworn to before me.

S/ Stephen Trewit, [sic], X his mark

S/ D. J. McCord, Q. U.

Sworn to before me this 26th of October 1818

S/ C. J. Colcock [?] one of the associate Judges of the State of South Carolina. In this case the Deponent is an entire Stranger to me. I have therefore no other reason to believe that he was a revolutionary soldier than his affidavit and the annexed of Thomas Cole.

S/ C. J. Colcock

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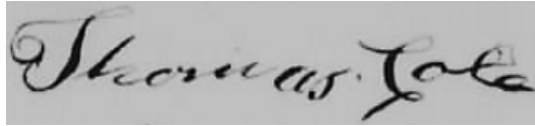
South Carolina, Richland District

Personally appeared before me Thomas Cole¹ and made oath, that he was well acquainted with the petitioner Stephen Truhitt, during the Revolutionary War of the United States, that he first knew him at Valley Forge above Philadelphia in the company of Captain William Caswell, and fifth North Carolina Regiment under the command of Col. Bunchomb [sic, Buncombe]; that he fought in the battle of Monmouth with the petitioner, and that afterwards they came on together in the Army to the South as far as Burncoat [Burn Coat Creek] in North Carolina, where the Deponent was discharged, in consequence of having served his term out, and after that he never saw the Petitioner until seven or eight years past in this State, where they have lived in the same District ever since – and that the time they served together in the United States service was upwards of two years.

¹ [Thomas Cole S39348](#)

Sworn to before me this fourth day of August 1818.

S/ Thomas Cole



S/ James S. Guignard, Clerk of Court

[p 15: John Marshall gave an affidavit that he is of the opinion that Stephen Trewit is poor, that he supports a wife and “several children” and has no means of support. J. M. Howell gave and deposition and which he states his opinion that Stephen Trewit is a poor man with a wife and two children and no means of support.]

I am perfectly satisfied from the affidavits of John Marshall and J.M. Howell Esq. that the within Deponent is an indigent circumstances.

S/ C. J. Colcock

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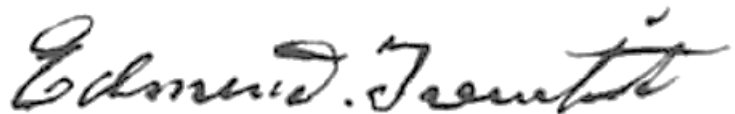
State of Georgia, Murray County } SS

On this 8th day of August A.D. 1856 Be it known that before me Thomas S. May a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Edmund Trehwitt and made oath in due form of law that he is the only surviving son and heir of Stephen Trehwitt who was a revolutionary pensioner and who departed this life on the 12th day of May A.D. 1821 & to whom a pension Certificate was issued which is lost or misplaced so as not to be found after diligent search and inquiry that the deceased Stephen Trehwitt resided in the State of South Carolina in Richland District for the space of seven years before his death and that previous thereto he resided in Darlington District in the State aforesaid – at the death of said Stephen Trehwitt he left a widow and five children his widow died in October A.D. 1821 and the children are all dead or have not been heard from for the past 10 years to the best of his knowledge after making strict inquiry, he further states that he is the only surviving heir of the late Stephen Trehwitt he further swears that arrearages of pension was due his Father at his death for one whole year & that his mother never applied for said arrearages of pension during her life and that no application was ever made by any of the heirs for said pension, he further states that he is Father drew \$96 per annum and that he drew said pension in Charleston South Carolina and that David McCord was his agent who drew for him he makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the arrearages of pension that was due his father the said Stephen Trehwitt at his death he refers the Commissioner of pensions to the records in his office for proof of his father service.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of August A.D. 1856, and that I have no Interest in said claim whatever.

S/ T. S. Mary, JP

S/ Edmund Trehwitt



[p 17: William Taylor gave a supporting affidavit in which he states he knew Stephen Trehwitt, a revolutionary pensioner; that said Trehwitt died on May 12, 1821 survived by three sons and two daughters; that two of the sons removed to the West a year or two after the death of their father; that eldest son was John, the next oldest son was James and Edmund was the youngest son; that

he, Taylor, married Sarah Trehitt, a daughter of Stephen Trehitt, that Sarah Trehitt Taylor died in 1834 leaving 6 living children; and that the youngest daughter of Stephen Trehitt died in 1821 unmarried and without leaving issue.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 26, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]