

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Cartright (Cartwright) S8161

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State of North Carolina Columbus County

On this 13th day of February in the year 1833 Personally appeared in open Court – Before the Justices of the Court of Please, and Quarter Sessions, now sitting, Joseph Cartright, a resident of the County of Columbus and State of North Carolina, aged seventy-one years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, near the close of hostilities in this part of the Country, there was a call for men to enlist themselves in the revolutionary war at which time, he enlisted a private soldier under a recruiting officer by the name of Major Griffith J McRee , on or about the 12th day of December 1781 and Elizabeth Town in Bladen County and State of North Carolina, for a term of 12 months. After his enlistment, he started with many others for Wilmington in the County of New Hanover and State aforesaid and went what is called the River round as far as a place on the River (Cape Fear) called the five oaks four miles from Wilmington, there he took water and went on to town, and joined the Company commanded by Colonel Benjamin Mills, Major Griffith J McRee and Captain Samuel Jones, After remaining in Wilmington two weeks, he was commanded by the aforesaid officers to take up a march for South Carolina, he went up to the five oaks by water, and then turned his course for South Carolina and crossed a Creek called Lockwood's folly at a ford near the Green Swamp in Brunswick County North Carolina then went on and crossed Waccamaw and Big Pedee Rivers in South Carolina, then on and crossed Santee [River] at Murry's ferry then on and joined General Greens [sic, Nathaniel Green's] Army then lay Place called Pon Pon [sic Edisto] not very far from Charleston in South Carolina, there he served the aforesaid term of 12 months, under General Greene, Colonel Mills, Major McRee and adjutant William Bush, Captain Samuel Jones and Len Slade, which ended about the 12th day of December 1782. He was engaged in no battles. He has no written discharge and no documentary evidence of his service. But knows of one Edward Davis whom he thinks he can procure to testify that he served in the revolutionary war, that he served faithfully for 12 months for which he claims a pension.

He states that he now resides in the County of Columbus & State of North Carolina and have been a resident of the same ever since the war. He hereby relinquishes every claim

whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ Joseph Cartright, X his mark

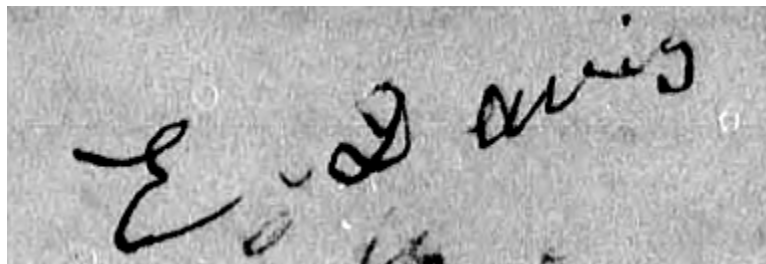
Answers to the Interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, as propounded to the applicant by the Court.

1. I was born in Sampson County North Carolina in the year 1761, 26th October [could the 20th of October]
2. I have no record of my age
3. In Bladen County (now Columbus) and have resided there ever since the war.
4. I was enlisted under a recruiting officer Major Griffith Jane McRae for 12 months.
5. This Interrogatory is answered as far as I can recollect in the body of my declaration
6. I have answered this Interrogatory fully in the body of my declaration.
7. Luke R Simmons, John Willson, Jacob Powell and Elisha Mensel
[Elisha Mensel (who is identified in the attestation as a clergyman) & Luke R Simmons gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Columbus County: February Term 1832 [sic, 1833]

Personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, now sitting Edward Davis,¹ and made oath, that he knew Joseph Cartright during the revolutionary war, that he was enlisted in Elizabethtown in Bladen County North Carolina as a common soldier for 12 months, under a recruiting officer named Griffith J McRee & went down to Wilmington with him, there stayed a short time, under the command of Major McRee, Colonel Benjamin Mills, Captain Samuel Jones, & Lieutenant Slade & then went on to near Charleston in South Carolina & went on to a place called Pon Pon with the said Joseph Cartright & was dismissed with him, that he knows that J Cartright did serve as he states.

S/ E. Davis

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Edward Davis". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do certify that it appears by the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war that Joseph Cartwright a private in Captain Jones's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the 1st of January 1782 for a 12 months and that nothing further is said of him on said rolls.

Given under my hand this 28th of August 1833

S/ Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for one year service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

¹ [Edward Davis S8284](#)