

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Thweatt (Thweat, Thiveat) S9490

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State of South Carolina, Newberry District} To Wit

On this fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Richard Gantt Esq. presiding Judge of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Common Pleas now sitting Edward Thweatt a resident of Newberry District in the State aforesaid aged Sixty-eight years who being 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he was born on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1764 in Lunenburg County State of Virginia on the waters of Flat Rock Creek that there was a record of his age in his father's handwriting but it is not now in his possession, nor does he know what has become of it. He removed to Granville County North Carolina about the year 1780 where he resided when he was called into service and continued to reside there about two years when he returned to Lunenburg County State of Virginia in the vicinity of where he was born where he continued to reside for about seven years after the termination of the War when he removed to South Carolina and settled in Ninety Six District in a part now called Edgefield where he resided about two years when he removed to what is now called Newberry District both of which at that time formed a part of 96 District where he has continued to reside ever since. He entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as hereinafter stated, but cannot be positive as to the name of all the officers under whom he actually served from the great lapse of time and the decay of memory. He went into the service as a volunteer under Captain Richard Harrison the Regiment was commanded by Major William Gill and Colonel Taylor [Joseph Taylor], Major William Gill commanded but a short time and was succeeded by another Major whose name he does not now recollect in the early part of February in the [year] 1781 and continued in the service three months, during this tour he was also under the command of Captain Hicks [William Hicks] and Captain Harris<sup>1</sup>, when he entered the service he was marched from Harrisburg North Carolina to Flat River thence retreated back to Harrisburg thence to Granville Court House – returned again to Harrisburg and thence to Guilford. He was in the battle of Guilford which was fought on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1781 and retreated to the old Iron Work [Troublesome Iron Works] about 20 miles from the field of battle where he remained a few days and then pursued home after Lord Cornwallis to Ramsey's Mill where he was taken sick and remained in the hospital until he was discharged after being inspected and found able to travel about the first of May, but does not now recollect from whom he received his discharge – which has been lost or destroyed. Subsequent to this tour of service this applicant was enrolled in the Militia of North

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<sup>1</sup> Both Isham Harris and Samuel Harris served as Captain's in the Granville North Carolina militia during the time he veteran was in service.

Carolina and in the early part of September in the year 1781 was drafted and went into service under the command of Captain Waller [Nathanael Waller] and in the Regiment commanded by Major Cook [Richard Cook] and Colonel Joseph Taylor. The forces assembled at Harrisburg where they remained but a short time when they were ordered to march to Cross Creek now Fayetteville thence to Rock Fish Creek, Drowning Creek, Raft Swamp, and several other places and this applicant was finally discharged in writing at Rock Point a few days before Christmas by Colonel Thomas Owens which discharge he has also lost. The forces in this expedition was commanded by General Butler [John Butler] whom this applicant recollects he also recollects the name of Col. Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee], Washington [William Washington] and a Frenchman who commanded the Cavalry by the name of Malmedy or Malbody [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne] who were all officers in this applicant's first tour of duty. During the revolutionary war this applicant as a volunteer and as a drafted man was in actual service between six and seven months. This applicant has no documentary evidence now in his possession of his revolutionary services and knows no person except John Hays whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services. He refers to the Reverend Philip Cromer and John Caldwell for his character and the reputation that he is a revolutionary soldier. 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.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court.

S/ Y. J. Harrington, Clk

S/ Edward Thweat

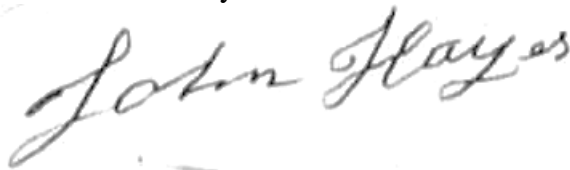
A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Edward Thweat". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Philip Cromer, a clergyman, and John Caldwell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I John Hays<sup>2</sup> a resident of the District of Newberry & State aforesaid certify that I have been acquainted with the applicant Edward Thweat since the spring of 1781, that he saw him in the service at Harrisburg North Carolina in the Spring of that year that they both belonged to the infantry that some short time afterwards this deponent joined the Cavalry and so [saw] no more of the applicant till after the battle of Guilford when he again saw him in the service at the old Iron Works. This deponent further certifies that this deponent was with the applicant in his second tour of duty and believes that he served as he states.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court.

S/ John Hayes

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Hayes". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]