

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Pateete (Poteet) W10853 Martha Pateete f78SC[sic, NC?]

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The State of Alabama Lauderdale County: On this 9th Day of October 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Sydney C. Posey now sitting, Edward Pateete a resident citizen of the County of Lauderdale State of Alabama aged about Seventy 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 the 7th 1832 -- that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and under the following circumstances and served as herein stated, the is

In the latter part of the year 1781 he volunteered in the state of ~~South~~-Carolina for three months under Captain Thomas Kenedy [sic, Thomas Kennedy] and mustered into service at Burktown in North Carolina was engaged for the three months (being the time he volunteered for in various places in North and South Carolina) was engaged against the British & Tories & were mostly in scouting parties Colonel McDowell [Charles McDowell] & Colonel Miller were both with the Regiment and a Major McDowell [Joseph McDowell] was also with the Corps -- while engaged in the service under said Term, the Troops to which he was attached were compelled to cross the mountains to await reinforcements, he served out his time and received a written discharge from the hands of said Kenedy which he yet had in with annexes labeled (A) the Regiment he thinks was commanded by Colonel McDowell -- the number of the Regiment he cannot recollect.

He remained at home a few weeks only and again volunteered under Captain James McFarlin [sic, James McFarland] for six weeks in North Carolina at the head of the Catawba [River] to guard off the Indians, and served out said six weeks and then enlisted under said Captain McFarlin for three months at the head of said River and he served out said three months and received from said Captain McFarlin a written discharge for the six weeks & the three months which discharge he has yet & herewith labels marked (B) & prayed to be taken as part of the application.

He then volunteered after remaining at home a short time under Captain John McDowell for three months he had been at home but a short time -- under said Captain McDowell -- he went into service at the head of the Catawba under Colonel Joseph McDowell (General McDowell commanded the Troops) they were marched into the Cherokee Nation against the Indians. Served out his time & was discharged but has lost or mislaid said discharge. He says from the lapse of time his advanced age and the condition of the country during his services, he cannot detail all the partic [word ends here] the country was much infested with British and

Tories & the nature of the service was such as at this time he cannot fully detail. That he served as he states making in all Ten & one half months.

He does not know of any living witness by whom he can prove his services nor has he any Documentary Evidence of his Services except the discharges here exhibited.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court this day and date above.

Test: S/ S. C. Posey, Judge

S/ Edward Pateete, X his mark

[David Lancaster, a clergyman, Willis Hammons, Nathan Rice, James P. Wellborn & Claibourne Palmer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

And the said Edward Pateete makes the following answers to interrogatories<sup>1</sup> propounded by the War department viz. -- to the first he says he was born in Bedford County Virginia the year he does not know.

To 2 -- has no record

to 3<sup>rd</sup> Refer to his narrative & was living in Burke County North Carolina & removed from North to South Carolina & then to Kentucky & then back to South Carolina & then to the North & then to Tennessee resided in Tennessee about 2 years and in Alabama about 14 years still resides there.

to 4<sup>th</sup> refers to his narrative

5. Does not recollect the names of any regular officers & for others he refers to his narrative. General Rutherford was in command a part of the time when he served.

6. He did here exhibited & refers to narrative one

to 7. He refers David Lancaster, James Wellborn, Claibourne Palmer, Nathan Rice, James Wellborn, Frances Durrell, Willis Hammons, Col. Shadrach Barnes, Colonel G. Masterson &c Sworn to & subscribed in open court the day & year above

Test: S/ S. C. Posey, Judge

S/ Edward Pateete, X his mark

[p 22 this MAY be the discharge referred to above as being given for the veteran's first term of service but the document is not legible.

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<sup>1</sup> The War Department promulgated regulations governing pension application format and requiring the following 7 interrogatories to be put to each applicant for a pension:

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

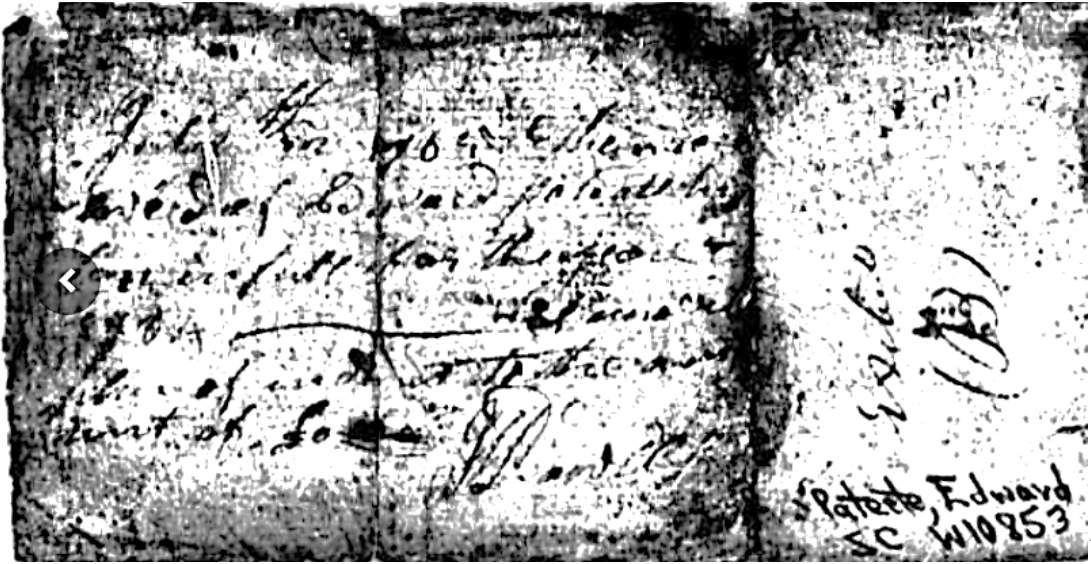
3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.



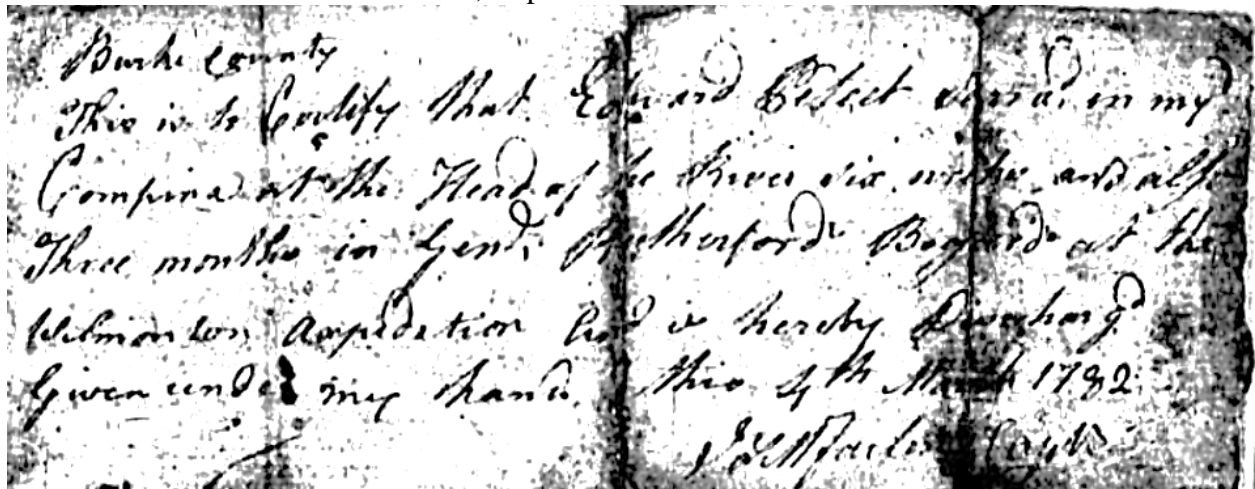
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Burke County

This is to Certify that Edward Poteet served in my Company [spelled Compina] at the Head of the River six weeks and also three months in General Rutherford's Brigade at the Wilmington Expedition and is hereby Discharged.

Given under my hand this 4th March 1782

S/ J. Mcfarlen, Capt.



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The State of Alabama Lauderdale County: County Court April 10th 1835

Edward Poteet who had forwarded to the office of pension agent of the United States Declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 and to which declaration, and explanation is now required, came in open court & makes the following declaration in order to explain as far as he can his former Declaration; to the satisfaction of department

To wit -- he declares that in the Fall of 1781 he served a tour of 3 months under Captain Kenedy as stated in his declaration & received a discharge which he forwarded to the department

with his declaration.

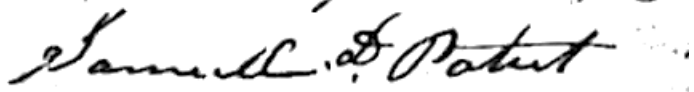
And in the year 1782 he served 2 tours -- one for 6 weeks & one for 3 months as stated in his declaration and discharge as forwarded on the same with his declaration. He further sets out that after he served the Tour of 6 weeks & the tour of 3 months; as above alluded to; he did serve one other Tour of 3 months under Captain John McDowell in the Regiment commanded by Joseph McDowell and in the Troop commanded by General Charles McDowell commencing in the fall in being in winter 1782 that he received a discharge for the services which has been lost or destroyed from the great length of time his very advanced age she cannot give a more minute account of his services than was in his former declaration But declares he served as herein stated and he is unable further to explain any ambiguity which the department may perceive. Sworn to and subscribed in open court this 10th of April 1835.

S/ S. C. Posey, Judge

S/ Edward Pateete, X his mark

[p 16: On January 28, 1842, in Lauderdale County Alabama, Martha Pateete, 76, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she was the widow of Edward Pateete, a revolutionary war soldier who served under General Charles McDowell, Captain Thomas Lane, Captain McFarlin; that she married him on March 22, 1786; that they were married by the identical same Charles McDowell Esquire in Burke County North Carolina; that she does not have a record of her marriage; that her husband died October 19 1836 while a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$24.66 per annum. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 10: Samuel D. Poteet, administrator of the estate of Martha Pateete swears that she died intestate survived by the following children: the affiant, Samuel D. Poteet who lives in the County of Lauderdale, James Poteet, Nancy Horne, wife of John Horne, Elizabeth Horne, widow of Thomas Horne, a citizen of Lawrence County Tennessee; William Poteet of Giles County Tennessee; & Jinsey Lindsey wife of Jesse Lindsey, who reside in Marion County Alabama; and that the foregoing were all the children Martha Pateete ever had except Sarah Poteet who died about 37 years past while an infant about 2 years of age. This affidavit was dated November 29, 1843.

  
Administrator ]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 12 days in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]