

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Jackson W2119

Mary Jackson

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State of Georgia, Gwinnett County: Inferior Court ~~September~~ October 1832

On this the 5th day of October 1832 Personally appeared in open Court (it being a Court of Record) now Sitting Edward Jackson a resident of the said County of Gwinnett & State of Georgia aged Seventy-seven 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 served as herein stated. That he entered the Service in Chesterfield District South Carolina where he then resided as a Drafted Militiaman he thinks in the year 1775 under Captain Griffith [Joseph Griffith] for three months and attached to the command of Colonel Benton [Lemuel Benton] & stationed at Cheraw Hills in South Carolina -- afterwards drafted again under Captain Lloyd [Thomas Lloyd] & he believes was attached to Colonel Lloyd's Regiment in 1776 & marched to Orangeburg & from thence to Black swamp on Savannah River thence to Purrysburg & from there to Coosawhatchie [River] where we had a Battle [May 3, 1779]¹ with the British & from thence to Charleston, he believes that Colonel Washington [William Washington]² commanded at the battle at Coosahatchie. Afterwards in 1777 Drafted again under Captain Griffith & marched to long Bluff on Pedee River & there stationed to Guard Prisons Each of the above drafts was for three months Each & from which he was regularly discharged by his officers. Afterwards he was frequently in the Service of his Country against the Tories whenever called on which was very often, until a General Peace was obtained, that he is very certain that the Services rendered the United States by him was as much as two years in the regular tours & scouting parties against the Tories & British from the time he first entered the service of his Country until peace was made, that all of his several Services was rendered in the State of South Carolina, that his several discharges are lost or mislaid, that he cannot find them.

That all of these several services that he was attached to the command of General Moultrie [William Moultrie] & all of those Scouting parties or tours were under the before mentioned Captain Griffith. That since the Revolutionary war he has resided first in South Carolina & from thence to the State of Georgia & at this time as a resident of the County of Gwinnett & State last mentioned and that he has no documentary evidence whereby he can prove his Services and that he knows of no person now living whose testimony he can procure that can

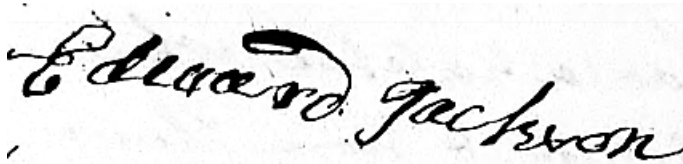
¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_coosawhatchie.html

² Veteran is mistaken in thinking that William Washington commanded in this engagement. Washington was not in the engagement. The troops in that battle were commanded by Lieutenant Colonel John Laurens

Establish the same: 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. That he Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court.

Attest: S/ Wm Maltbie, Clk

S/ Edward Jackson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Jackson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a large initial "E".

[Mitchell Bennett, a clergyman, and Elisha Winn gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Georgia Gwinnett County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for said County, Edward Jackson who being duly sworn deposed & Saith that by reason of old age and that the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and he is certain so far as relates to the three first named Tours in his declaration mentioned but not positively certain as to the date but to the best of his recollection they are correctly stated - And the Several Grades are recollected. In 1775 a Tour of three months I served as a drafted private to Militiaman under the officers as stated in the Declaration of which this is an amendment. In 1776 in March I entered the service again & served as stated in the Declaration another Tour of three months as a drafted Militia private. In 1777, I again entered the service as a drafted Militia private & served another Tour of three months in that capacity under the command of the officers named in the Declaration and for such service I claim a pension.

And deponent further saith that in further Amendment of his said declaration and which was there in omitted by the writer - that he was born the 14th day of February 1755 in then Craven County now Chesterfield District & State of South Carolina - that the Record of his age has been lost but he well recollects the dates it contained respecting his age. And deponent further states that he is well acquainted with John Mills the undersigned Justice of the Peace, William Maltbie Clerk of the Inferior Court of the County of Gwinnett - Mitchell Burnett & Elisha Winn - who have testified and with James Wardlaw, Clifford Woodroof & Reuben McLung [?] Esqrs. Justices of the Inferior Court all of whom & many other respectable neighbors can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 15 March 1833

S/ John Mills, JP

S/ Edward Jackson

[p 10: On March 5, 1853, in Gwinnett County, Georgia, Mary Jackson, 84, filed for her widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she was the widow of Edward Jackson, a pensioner at the rate of \$30 per annum; that she married him in June 1803; that her name prior to her marriage was Mary Hall; that Edward died in February 1845. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 26: On April 2, 1853 in Gwinnett County Georgia, Mary Hall, 70, a resident of Gwinnett

County gave testimony that she was well acquainted with Edward Jackson and Mary Hall; that she, the affiant, was married to a brother (not named) of Mary Hall; that Mary and Edward were married in Jackson County Georgia sometime in the month of June 1803 by a man by the name of Hogg, a justice of the peace. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 28: On April 8, 1853 in DeKalb County Georgia, William Jackson, 63, a resident of DeKalb County Georgia gave testimony that he is the son of Edward Jackson late of Gwinnett County and a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$30 per annum; that he, affiant, was not present when his father died in the month of February 1845 but he has seen his father's grave as pointed out by the affiant's brother (not named); that he, the affiant resided with his father in Jackson County Georgia in 1803 when his father married Mary Hall; that they were married by one Thomas Hogg, JP; that Mary Jackson was the affiant's stepmother; that she is still alive and is unmarried. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]