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Pension Application of Edward Carrington W6635 Elizabeth J Carrington VA
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State of Virginia Sct:

On this twenty fourth day of April 1839 personally appeared before me Philip N[?] Nicholas Judge of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Henrico Mrs Elizabeth Carrington a resident of the City of Richmond in the County of Henrico aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows:" That she is the widow of Lieutenant Colonel Edward Carrington who served throughout the war of the Revolution as she has understood and believes. That he was appointed in the year 1776 Lt. Colonel of the Battallion of Artillery to be raised in Virginia (Harrisons [Col. Charles Harrison VAS1411] Regiment) as will appear by reference to the first volume of the Journals of Congress page 566. That after the disastrous battle of Camden [16 Aug 1780] he was ordered from the North where he had been serving to the South and was for some time commander of the Artillery and at the battle of Hopkirk Hill [sic: Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] and other engagements during the campaigns in the South and was particularly distinguished for his services as Quarter Master General of the army during General Greens [sic: Nathanael Greene's] celebrated [illegible word] through the Carolinas, all which is matter of history. He continued in the Army until the close of the war and received his five years full pay in lieu of half pay for life which may be seen by referring to the Book in the Department of War, as she has understood and believes.

She further declares that she was married to the said Col. Edward Carrington on eighth day of December 1792, that her husband the aforesaid Edward Carrington died on the tenth day of October 1810, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but that the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, Viz. in the eighth day of October December 1792 the time before stated.

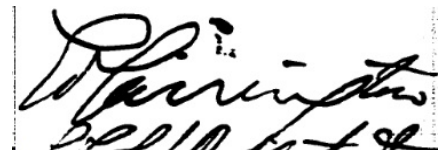
Eliza J Carrington

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I certify upon Honor that I have continued in the service of the United in the Virginia Continental Artillery from the month of March 1776 till the arrangement of the Board of Officers at Winchester in January 1783, and that I have continued to this time in the Quarter Master Generals Department agreeably to the the clause respecting Staff Officers in the Resolution of Congress for the reduction of the Army on the 7th of Aug't 1783.

E. Carrington
L Col'l Reg't Art &
QMS[?]

Richmond Sept 23 1783

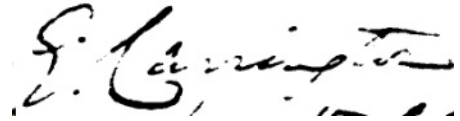
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. Carrington", with the date "Sept 23 1783" written below it. The signature is enclosed in a rectangular box.

I certify on honor, that I was appointed by the Committee of Safety a Lieut't of Artillery in a Company on regular establishment then commanded by Capt. James Innes, late in January, or early in February 1776. That the same corps was afterwards [undeciphered word] to a Regiment on Continental establishment, under the command of Colo. Charles Harrison, which was denominated the V. Regiment of Artillery & of which I was Lieut't. Colo. continuing in that rank without interruption until the disbanding of the army in November 1783. I formerly drew bounty land for seven years, it not being then thought that [undeciphered word] fraction of a year could be claimed

Octr 2 1807

E. Carrington
late Lieut't. Colo
V. Reg't Art'y

10 mo. more 7 years



I Certify that the within statement contains a true statement Given under my hand this 2nd Octbr. 1807
Wm Moseley [William Moseley W5385] late Major
in the Virginia Contintal Line



NOTES:

The federal file includes a copy of a bond signed 8 Dec 1792 by Edward Carrington and Alexander Buchanan of Richmond for the marriage of Carrington to Mrs Eliza. J. Brent of Henrico County.

Mrs. Lucy N. Call stated the following before George M. Carrington, a Justice of the Peace: "My sister Mrs. Eliza J Carrington widow of Col. William Brent of the Continental Army, and daughter of Jaqueline Ambler Farraby and till his death Treasurer of Virginia, was married December 8th 1792 to the late Col. Edward Carrington Lieut. Col. of Artillery in the continental army – Mrs. Carrington's three sisters married George Fisher, Daniel Call and the eldest, the Hon'ble Chief Justice Marshall who with his wife I saw at the marriage of my sister Mrs. Carrington. Mr. George Fisher had not then become the brother in law; but visited familiarly in the family six months after the marriage, and is willing to testify to the above facts; many other respectable citizens tho' not witnesses of the marriage have not a doubt of the certainty of it. Col. Carrington died on the 10th of October 1810 and his widow has never married since.
L N Call"