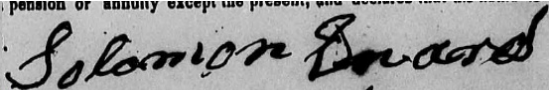


Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Solomon Edwards W7080 Sarah Edwards VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

STATE OF GEORGIA, } On this 20 day of Nov'r, personally appeared in open Court, before
Clarke County. } Charles Dougherty, presiding Judge of the Superior Court of said
County, now sitting, Solomon Edwards resident of the county of Clarke and State aforesaid, aged 76
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, and served as herein stated: He was born in Louisa
County Virginia on the 4th Sept 1756. Has no record of his age & unless it is in Virginia He knows of
none. He lived in Louisa Ct Virginia when called into service & lived there after the war till He moved to
Georgia where He now lives & where He has lived ever since say 26 years in Clarke County. He was
drafted to perform monthly services & served under the following Captains for 15 months in Scouting
parties. vis Capt Garret Minor [sic: Garrett Minor] Capt [John] Fox, John Byars, Richard Phillips [sic:
Richard Phillips], George Lumsden, James Dabney, William Harriss [sic: William Harris], Thomas
Johnson, John Sanders, James Wadson [sic: James Watson], Henry Garret [sic: Henry Garrett], Robert
Barret [sic: Robert Barrett], James Winston, John Poindexter, & William Phillips [William Phillips], who
were under the Command of Col Richard Anderson & was once marched to Williamsburg & there He
thinks the regulars were commanded by one Col Mason or Major He does not know which. He was
stationed 4 month at the Barracks in Albermarle not far from Charlottesville on land belonging to Col
Harvey for the purpose of guarding prisoners among which were Burgoynes prisoners [sic: Albemarle
Barracks 4 mi NNE of Charlottesville where Burgoyne's army captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 was
housed from Jan 1779 through Feb 1781]. Capt Harris & Liet John Anderson wer Commanders when
deponent went to guard British prisoners at Albermarle. He never received any discharge. He cannot
possibly recollect the time when He entered the service, but it was at the beginning of the war, when
Dunmore abdicated the Government of Virginia in 1775 [sic: fled on 7 Aug 1776] & from that time to
1781 the above service was perform Was in no battle. Has no written evidence to prove the facts, but
can prove his services by Richard Dicken [pension application W4179]. Deponent mentions the names of
Jeremiah Daniel & Jas Cook who can certify to his Character for veracity & their belief of his services as
a soldier of the revolution.
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.

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Georgia } Personally came before me in open Court Richard Dicken, who being duly
Clark County } sworn saith that he was raised in Virginia in the same neighborhood with
Solomon Edwards who has made the within declaration and served in the Revolutionary war with him in
many tours of service in defence of our Country the united States.
Sworn to and subscribed this 20 Nov'r 1832.



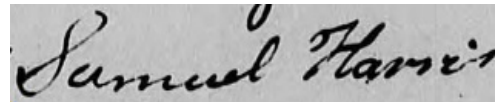
NOTE:

On 29 Feb 1844 Sarah Edwards, 80, applied for a pension stating that she was married by a
minister named Douglas in Louisa County on 27 Dec 1781 to Solomon Edwards, who died on 27 Jan
1844. *The Douglas Register* kept by Rev. William Douglas (W. F. Jones, Ed. Baltimore: Clearfield Co.,

2001) lists the following: "Edwards, Solomon & Sarah Mathews, both of Louisa 1782, Dec: 27." Sarah Edwards also stated that she was not married before her husband's last actual service, and that they moved from Louisa County to Clarke County in 1804. On 30 April 1844 Sarah Edwards stated that she was married in 1783, and also incorrectly stated that her husband had served in the militia of North Carolina. She stated that John Matthews of Fayette County GA and Samuel Harris of Butts County GA had witnessed the marriage. On 9 Jan 1845 Sarah Edwards stated that she was "not certain that her memory serves her to the precise date of marriage."

John Matthews, 77, stated that the marriage took place in 1781. On 3 Dec 1844 Samuel Harris of Monroe County GA stated that the marriage occurred "sometime in December 1782." Harris also made the following statement:

State of Georgia } Be it known that on this 19th day of November 1845 before me Isaac
Monroe County } Ferguson a Justice of the Peace in and for said County personally appeared
Samuel Harris a resident of said County and State and being first duly sworn according to law doth on his
oath make the following statements That according to his understanding and belief he was born in
Louisa County Virginia on the 5th day of February 1770 That he was personally acquainted with
Solomon Edwards who was a Soldier in the War of the Revolution as he always understood and believes
and Sarah Mathews before they were married That they were legally married in said County and State
soon after the Close of Hostilities and before Peace was ratified in 1783 and that he witnessed the
marriage ceremony. That he deponent lived with his Grand Father in said County and State the year
seventeen hundred and eighty three & four, and the said Solomon was overseering the same years for his
said Father [sic] and in September that same year thir first Child was born And in the year seventeen
hundred and ninety six deponent removed to Georgia at which time their eldest son was large enough for
a plough boy. That he was acquainted with the said Solomon and Sarah after they removed to Clark
County Georgia and was informed that the said Solomon was in the receipt of a pension from the United
States for his revolutionary services at the time of his death that he died leaving the said Sarah his
widow

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel Harris".

The file contains a letter from John H. Kilgore to James Edwards stating that he had finished preparing the application papers for Edwards's mother.