

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edgerton Mott ¹W7466

Rhoda Mott

f80NC

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State of North Carolina New Hanover County

Edgerton Mott being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God maketh oath that early in the year 1776 he enlisted in the Service of the United States under Captain John Walker in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line of Regular troops then commanded by Colonel __-- That in June 1776 he marched with the above Regiment to Charleston -- that in July or August 1776 he returned to North Carolina with the troops and again went to Charleston in the winter following -- That in 1777 he with the North Carolina Troops joined the grand Army under General Washington in Pennsylvania & continued in the Northern Army under General Washington until November 1779 when the North Carolina troops were ordered to Charleston -- that in November 1779 he marched with the troops from West Point & arrived in Charleston early in the year 1780 where he remained until he was taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston [May 12, 1780]. That he made his escape from the British at Charleston shortly after he was taken prisoner and again joined the North Carolina troops in 1781 under Captain Raiford, in Colonel Archibald Lytle's Regiment -- He then returned to Charleston after the evacuation by the British & there remained until 1783 when he received from Colonel Lytle a furlough & leave of absence until called on for further service -- That he never was afterwards called on & has lost his furlough --

This deponent further swears his situation is so needy as to require the assistance of his Country.

S/ Edgerton Mott, X his mark

State of North Carolina New Hanover County: County Court November Term 1818

I do certify that the foregoing affidavit was Sworn to in open Court at the above Term.

Witness Thomas F. Davis Clerk of the said Court at office under the Seal of said County this 13th day of November A.D. 1818.

S/ Thos. F. Davis, Clk

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State of North Carolina New Hanover County

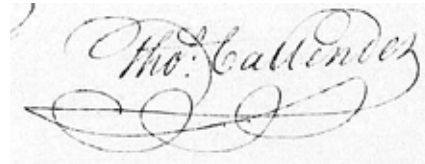
Thomas Callender² being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, maketh

¹ BLWt1619-100

² [Thomas Callender BLWt482-300](#) no papers

oath That he was well acquainted with Edgerton Mott a private Soldier in the First Regiment of the North Carolina line. That this deponent was Lieutenant in Captain Joshua Bowman's company of Light Infantry of said First Regiment several months in the year 1779, in which company the above said Edgerton Mott served at that time, & to his knowledge continued until the fall of Charleston in the month of May 1780. That after the Surrender of Charleston the Officers were separated from the men & sent over to Haddrell's Point on parole -- that said Mott was considered as enlisted for the War, and served faithfully, and this deponent verily believes that said Mott is in distress circumstances & needs the assistance of his Country.

S/ Thos. Callender

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thos. Callender". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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State of North Carolina Secretary Office 25th of December 1818

I hereby certify that the name of Edge. Mott appears on the musterroll of the North Carolina Continental line in the Revolutionary War in the first Regiment in Captain Brown's Company for and during the War.

Given under my [than] the date above

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

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United States – North Carolina District

Thomas Callender of the Town of Wilmington maketh oath that Edgerton Mott, whose declaration for pension appears within, resides in the County of new Hanover in the District aforesaid & did so resided the time of his said declaration.

Sworn to & subscribed before me at Wilmington, in the said District the 3rd of May 1819

S/ Thos. Callender

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State of North Carolina in New Hanover County: On this 15th day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record (said Court being unlimited in the amount of its jurisdiction having the power to fine & imprison & keeping a record of its proceedings) Edgerton Mott aged 68 resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. In the first Regiment of North Carolina being commanded by Colonel Thomas Clark in Captain John Walker's company (the corps of Infantry unknown). The original declaration bearing date November 1818. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto

annexed and by me subscribed

I have no property either real or personal other than my working tools, necessary clothing and bedding.

I am a cooper by trade and am in a great measure disabled from obtaining a subsistence by my daily labor. I have in my family, my wife and 4 children; the age of my wife being 35, and my children of the following ages the is The first a girl aged 15 years, the 2nd a boy aged 11, the 3rd a girl aged 9, the 4th a son aged 7.

S/ Edgton Mott, X his mark [sic]

State of North Carolina Sampson County

I Adjington [sic] Mott aged about eighty years do upon oath testify and declare that about or in the year 1775 I enlisted in the service as a private under Captain John Walker for a term during the war in the infantry attached to the first Regiment of the North Carolina line and continued in the service up till the end of the War and at that time I was discharged by furlough in Wilmington North Carolina which furlough all lost about the year 1812 or 13.

I do further declare that I have never received a Warrant for the bounty land promised to me on the part of the United States nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever.

Therefore know, all men by these presents, that I Adjington Mott aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Colonel Joseph Watson of Washington City to be my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a Warrant for the Quantity of Land due me as aforesaid and my said Attorney is hereby fully Authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more Substitutes and attorneys under him for the special purpose above Expressed in witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my Seal.

This 5th day of December 1829
[Attested by James Dwane]

S/ Adjington Mott, X his mark

[p. 26: in a petition filed March 10, 1838 in New Hanover County, Rhoda Mott, 53, filed for a widows pension in which application she states that her husband was in the battle of Brandywine and at Moore's Creek bridge and other battles and was taken prisoner at Charleston when it fell; in this application she said she married her husband some time about 1800 on Christmas day old state and that her husband died May 6th 1831 of the Dropsy.]

[p 46: in an application dated the summer 13, 1848 filed in New Hanover County North Carolina, Rhoda Mott, 70, filed for a widows pension under the 1838 act in which she states that she married her husband in 1792 or 93, she believes in the 14th year of her age which would make it the year 1792, that she is certain it was not pastor 15th year; that she was in bad health for many years after their marriage and it was not until her health was restored states she bore children, her first child being born in October 1806, 14 or 15 years after marriage and the death of her husband's first wife.]

[p. 20: On June 11, 1849, in New Hanover County North Carolina below the Mott, 70 years of age on January 7 last, filed for a widows pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of "Agerton or Edgerton Mott"; that she married him in October or November 1797 or 1798; that her husband died May for, 1831; that she remains his widow; that she submits in support of her affidavit a family record in the hand writing of Benjamin Mott, a brother of her husband and also

a revolutionary war veteran.]

[p 22 family record]

"Rhoda Pester [?, could be Riter or some other name] was born January 7th 1779]

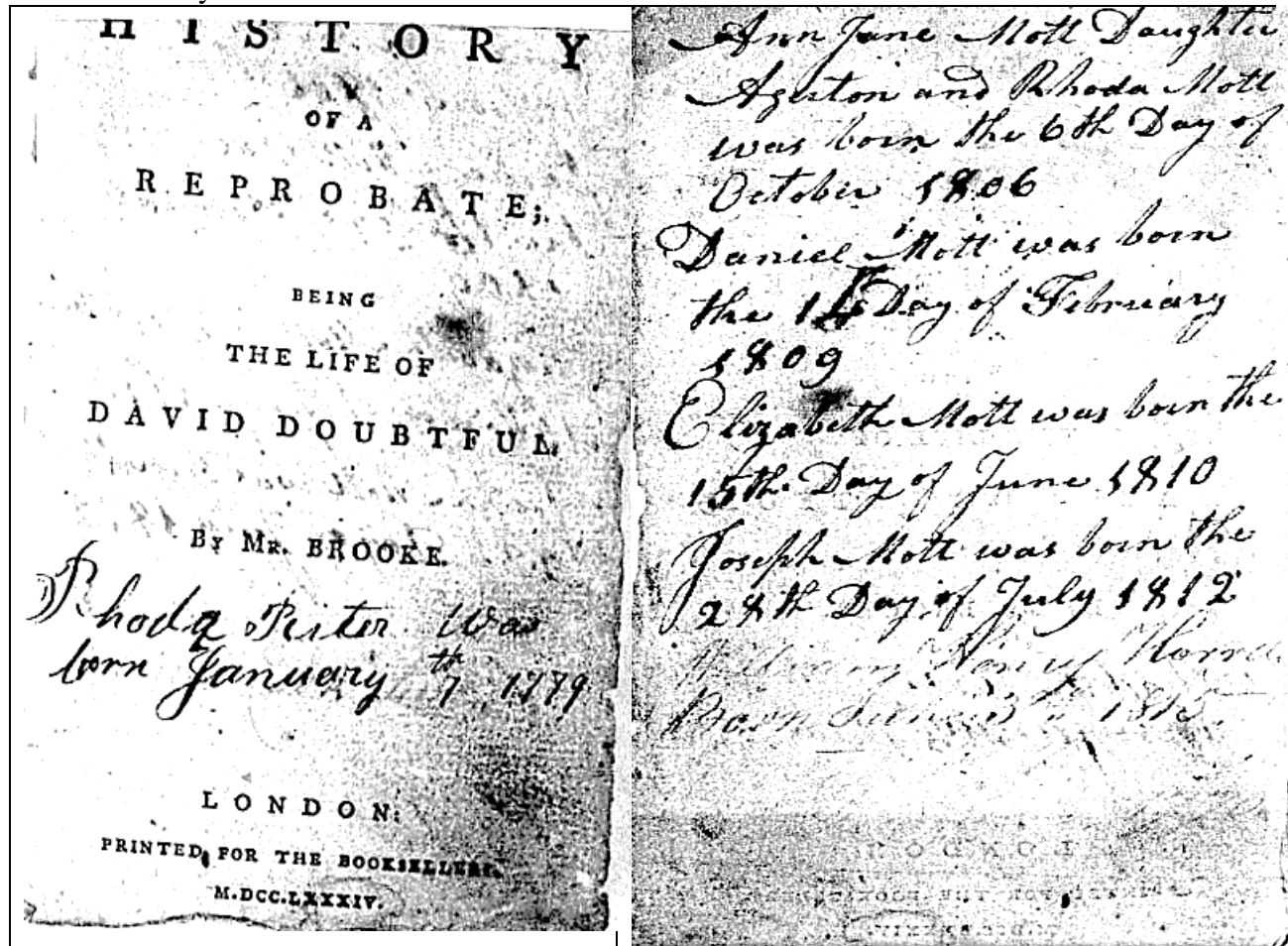
Ann Jane Mott Daughter Agerton and Rhoda Mott was born the 6th Day of October 1806

Daniel Mott was born the 14th Day of February 1809

Elizabeth Mott was born 15th Day of June 1810

Joseph Mott was born the 28th day of July 1812

William Henry Harrell Born June 3rd 1815



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 13, 1818, for service as a private for 7 years in the North Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$96 per annum.]

Pension application of Edgerton Mott : transcribed and annotated by John A. McGeachy from New Hanover County (N.C.) Pleas & Quarter Sessions Minutes, 12 November 1818, volume for August 1814 - February 1820, pages 350-352, C.R. 070.301.8, North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, N.C.

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Edgerton Mott, being duly sworn, maketh oath that early in the year 1776 he enlisted in the service of the United States under Capt. John Walker, in the first regiment of the North Carolina line of regular troops, then commanded by Col. [blank; James Moore was Col. of the 1st until 1 March 1776. On 10 April 1776 Francis Nash took command.] That in June 1776 he marched with the above regiment to Charleston, that in July or August 1776 he returned to North Carolina with the troops, and again went to Charleston in the winter following. That in 1777 he, with the North Carolina troops, joined the Grand Army under Genl Washington in Pennsylvania & continued in the Northern Army under Genl Washington untill Novr 1779, when the North Carolina troops were ordered to Charleston, that in Novr 1779 he marched with the troops from West Point and arrived in Charleston early in the year 1780, where he was taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston [12 May 1780]; that he made his escape from the british at Charleston shortly after he was taken prisoner, and again joined the North Carolina troops in 1781, under Capt. [Robert] Raiford in Col. Archibald Lytle's regiment. He then returned to Charleston after the evacuation of the British [14 Dec 1782] and there remained untill 1783 when he received a furlough and leave of absence untill called on for further service; that he never was afterwards called on & has lost his furlough. And further swears his situation is so needy as to require the assistance of his county.

Thomas Callender, being duly sworn maketh oath that he was well acquainted with Edgerton Mott, a private soldier in the first regiment of the North Carolina Militia [ie, Continental Line.] That this deponant was Lieutenant in Capt. Joshua Bowman's Company of Light Infantry of said first Regiment several months in the year 1779, in which company the above said Edgerton Mott served at that time & to his knowledge continued untill the fall of Charleston in the month of May 1780. That after the surrender of Charleston the Officers were seperated from the men, and sent over to Haddrell's Point on Parole. That said Mott was considered as enlisted for the War, and served faithfully; And this Deponant verily believes that said Mott is in distressed circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country.

Addendum to Pension application of Edgerton Mott : transcribed and annotated by John A. McGeachy from New Hanover County (N.C.) Pleas & Quarter Sessions Minutes, 16 August 1820, volume for May 1820 – September 1825, pages 52-53, C.R. 070.301.9, North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, N.C.

On this 15th [sic] day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record, said Court being unlimited in the amount of its jurisdiction having the power to fine and imprision & keeping a record of its proceedings; Edgerton Mott aged 68 years resident in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: in the first regiment of North Carolina, being commanded by Col. Thomas Clark, in Capt. John Walker's company (the corps of infantry unknown) the original declaration bearing date Novr 1818, and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that, by gift, sale or any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent

thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

I have no property either real or personal, other than my working tools, necessary clothing and bedding.

I am a Cooper by trade and am in a great measure disabled from obtaining a subsistence by my daily labour; I have in my family, my wife and four children, the age of my wife being 35, and my children of the following ages. The first a girl aged 15 years; the second a boy aged 11 years; the third a girl aged nine; the fourth a son aged Seven.

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In conformity to the amendment required, the deponent further states that the value of his working tools is ten dollars, and of his bedding fifteen dollars.

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