

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Ballenger W9720 Pleasant Ballenger f35SC

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District

On this 3rd day of January Personally appeared before me Reuben Bowdon -- Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the District and State aforesaid this being a Court of Record Mrs. Pleasant Ballenger a resident of said District and State aforesaid who by reason of age and Infirmary is unable to appear in open Court aged eighty 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 the 7th day 1838 that she is the widow of Edward Ballanger who was a private in the Horsemen company in the State of South Carolina and that he the said Edward Ballanger served four hundred and thirty-two days and was [word obliterated] [indecipherable word] on the pension roll owing to his death taking place before the passage of the Act and therefore never drew a pension. She further declares that she was married to the said Edward Ballanger sometime in the year 1784 and that her husband the aforesaid Edward Ballanger died in the August the 6th day 1823 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and [year] above written before me January 3rd Day 1846

S/ Pleasant Ballenger, X her mark

S/ R. Bowden, Judge of the Court of Ordinary

[p 5: family record: transcribed verbatim]

Edard Ballanger his Book

Edard Ballanger he was Born Genuary 27th day 1761

Edard Ballanger he was Married the 21 of November 1784

James Ballanger his Son was Born September 51th [sic, 5th?] 1785

Margret wood Ballanger She Was Born April 1th day 1788

John^{Lewis} Ballanger he was Born November 29th day 1790

Pres Ley [Presley?] Conner Ballanger He was Born May 11th day 1793

Pleasant Ballanger hir son and daughters

Lovina Ballanger Was born Sept 7th 1803

Elizabeth Ballenger Was born March 8th 1806

Addger [?] was born Septr the 8th 1805

State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: Personally appeared before me John Chapman one of the acting Justices of in and for the said District, Lovina Cothan [sic] and after being sworn according to law saith on her oath that the above attached record is the family record of Edward Ballenger and his wife Pleasant Ballenger and that she believes it to be in the hand writing of Edward Ballenger and it is the original and [indecipherable word, I think it is intended to be the word "genuine" but that is a guess] family record of Edward Ballenger and his wife and that it has been in the possession of Pleasant Ballenger every [sic] since the death of Edward Ballenger. Sworn to and subscribed this 15 day of November 1845 or me
S/ John Chapman, Mag.

S/ Lovina Cothern

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: Personally appeared before me Haswell Hicks one of the acting Magistrates in and for the District, and State aforesaid Samloman Abett¹ after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following affidavit and saith that he knew the said Edward Ballenger in the old revolution war and that he saw the said Balinger some 2 or 3 tours and that he was with him one tower under John Collins in Spartanburg District South Carolina the number of times he is not able to give but he states that he saw him as often as twice or more in the service.

This the 19th day of December 1845

S/ Sollomon Abbott, X his mark [sic]

[Widow was pensioned at the rate of 59 dollars 30 cents per annum commencing March 4th, 1843.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts² relating to Edward Ballenger
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 262

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[No.] 709

[Book] X

September 23rd 1785

Edward Ballinger for 432 days Duty as Horseman Amounting to £61.17.1 ½ Sterling

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August the 20th 1785} The State of South Carolina

To Edward Ballenger

Dr.

To 430 days myself & Horse in the Public Service at 20/

£430.0.0

2 days more

2.0.0

£432

State of South Carolina Spartanburg County} by William Wood 1 of the Justices of the
County aforesaid Personally appeared before me Edward Ballinger and being sworn saith that

¹ Sic, [Solomon Abbott S17806](#)

² The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>.

the above account for 430 Pounds against the Public of South Carolina is Just and True as it stands stated & no part thereof received which said account was returned to Robert Anderson Esquire in the year 1783. Sworn to the 22nd day of August 1785

Certified by S/ Wm Wood, JP

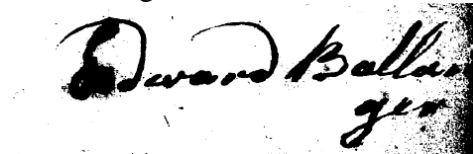
Certified by Moses Wood Captain

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Moses Wood Capt". The ink is dark and the background is light, with some speckling.

In Captain Wood's Pay Bill Colonel Roebuck's [Benjamin Roebuck's] Regiment

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Received 23rd September 1785 full Satisfaction for the Within, in an Indent at p. 709 Book X
S/ Edward Ballanger

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