

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Edwards S10609

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State of Virginia County of Accomack; on this 28th day of March 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the county Court of the County of Accomack aforesaid now sitting Jacob Edwards a resident of the County afs'd. in the State afs'd. aged seventy two years & about nine months 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 State of Virginia in the Militia of said State in the year 1776 during the Revolutionary War that he served in a company commanded by Capt. Thomas Copes and afterward in a company commanded by Capt. Elijah Garrett attached to a Regiment commanded by Col. Southy Simpson. That he never received any regular discharge from the said service but continued in the same until the end of the war. That he was stationed the most of his time on Folly Creek, East point, on Onancock and on Watchpreague [sic: Wachapreague] that he was marched from the County of Accomack to the County of Somerset in the State of Maryland to subdue the tories, that he was to the best of his knowledge and belief actually encamped and under arms for two years and six months as a private, That he resided in the County of Accomack when he entered the Service, that he did not act as a substitute, that the 9th Va. Regiment on Continental Establishment was stationed in the County a short time before it marched to the north, that he was well acquainted with Col. John Cropper, Col. Levin Joynes and Major Thomas Parker who were attached to the said Regiment, that he was born in the year 1760 in the said County of Accomack and has no record of his age in his possession, that since the Revolutionary War he has resided in the said County, that he is known to William Harrison, Jonathan Philips [sic: Jonathan Phillips] both of whom reside in the County of Accomack and have testified to their knowledge of my service as a soldier of the Revolution, and that he has no documentary evidence of his services
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. Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Jacob Edwards

The Declaration of Hillary Mears [pension application S18508] aged about seventy four years who being first duly sworn deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with Jacob Edwards, and that he knew during the Revolutionary war that the said Jacob Edwards served in a company commanded by Capt. Elijah Garrett and that the said Jacob Edwards marched to Annamissix [sic: Annemessex] in the State of Maryland to subdue the tories, and that I saw him on in actual service and served with him on Parramore's point on Folly Creek and on Pungoteague & that he verily believes that the said Jacob Edwards served four year during the war. Given under my hand the 7th day of January 1833.
Accomack County, State of Virginia S.S. Hillary hisXmark Mears

NOTE: A document in the file states that about 1834 Edwards moved to North Carolina and died in Edgecombe County on 4 Oct 1837, leaving Sally Gardner in Virginia and John B. Edwards in North Carolina as the only surviving children.