# Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

### Pension application of Erastus Tippett S39108 Transcribed by Will Graves

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#### State of Tennessee State, Tenth Judicial Circuit

This day personally appeared before me Alfred M. Harris one of the circuit Judges in & for the State of Tennessee, the undersigned Erastus Tippett, who being sworn says, that he did some time in the year 1778, in the County of Halifax in the State of North Carolina enlist as a private Soldier on the Continental establishment for the term of nine months during the revolutionary War, in a Company then commanded by Joseph Montford, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of North Carolina troops, commanded by Colonel James Hogan [sic, James Hogun]. That he did serve out his term faithfully, against the common enemy, Great Britain, & was discharged Honorably by said Captain Joseph Montford; which said discharge he has lost by time or accident. That sometime in the year 1782, he again enlisted as a private as aforesaid under a Captain Becotes [Peter Becot of the 1<sup>st</sup> NC Regiment], in said County of Halifax – for the term of 18 months, in the same Regiment above mentioned (then commanded by Col. Archibald Lytle) & did faithfully served until the end of the War, when he was honorably discharged at Charleston in South Carolina by Lieutenant Thomas Pasters [sic, Thomas Pasteur], which said discharge he has also lost. That he was in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] & the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], & in several small skirmishes. That he knows of no person by whom he can prove his said service except the evidence herewith transmitted. That he is now in the 59<sup>th</sup> year of his age; & have nothing to live upon; & is unable to get a living by his own manual labor, having had his right arm desperately broken by accident. That he is a citizen of the United States of America & resident in the County of Lawrence & State of Tennessee.

That he have never received a pension from his Government. He hereby relinquishes all pensions by the laws of the United States heretofore granted him, except the one hereby prayed for; & prays to be placed on the pension list agreeably did to the provisions of the late act of Congress such cases made & provided 4<sup>th</sup> June 1819.

S/ Erastus Tippett {Seal}

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Subscribed & sworn to before me the day & date aforesaid S/ Alfred M. Harris, Judge &c.

[Chloe Azbell [sic, Chloe Isbell or Chloe Asbill?], sister of the applicant, gave a supporting affidavit.

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State of Tennessee, Lawrence County Court October Term 1820

Erastus Tippet a pensioner under the act of the United States comes in to Court and makes application that a schedule of his property might be entered of record which was granted him which is recorded in words and figures following to wit

District of West Tennessee on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Lawrence and State of Tennessee as a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County Erastus Tippet aged 60 years on the first day of last August resident in Lawrence County who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows (to wit) in Colonel James Hogun's Company the third Regiment in Captain Joseph Munford's [sic, Joseph Montford's] Company in the North Carolina line which is claimed agreeably on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 1819 and has received a pension certificate No. 13788 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or other wise 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

S/ Erastus Tippet [sic]<sup>1</sup>

Sworn to and subscribed on the fifth day of October 1820.

S/M. H. Buchanan, Clk

A schedule of my property Beds and necessary clothing excepted (to wit) one cow and calf four sows 16 shoats about eight months old my occupation a Farmer – seven in Family myself, my wife Judith, three sons, Ross, James and John two daughters Jane and Nancy my youngest son is 17 years old.

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District of West Tennessee, State of Tennessee: Lawrence County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions July Term 1821

On this third day of July 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for said County of Lawrence and State of Tennessee, Erastus Tipet aged 60 years on the first day of August 1820 resident in Lawrence County and State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn according to law on his Oath declares that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, to wit, that he enlisted in the service in Halifax County North Carolina that he was attached to Captain

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Munford's [sic, Montford's] Company in the third North Carolina Regiment and served nine months as drummer that afterwards he served 18 months in Captain Isaac B Cots's [sic, Peter Bacot's] Company belonging to the same Regiment commanded by Col. Archibald Little [sic, Archibald Lytle] that all the property he owns in the world are two cows and calves 3 sows and two Piggs one Inferior feather bed of small value one small pot and kettle one large and one small spinning wheel and that he is indebted for the necessary [sic, necessities] of life about \$50 that his occupation is farming that he is very infirm and is lame in his right arm and is not able to make a support by his owner labor or exertions that the remaining part of his family (viz) Judith Tippet his wife aged about 51 years who is decrepit and unable to labor James Tippet his son about 16 years old John Tippet his son aged about 14 years and Nancy Tippet his daughter aged about 10 years that he has heretofore received a pension and that the number of his pension certificate was 13788 and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or other wise 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

S/ Erastus Tippet<sup>2</sup>

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing January 1, 1819, for service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line for 9 months.]

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