Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Zachariah Ellett (Elliott) R3287 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Georgia, Stewart County

On this the Sixth day of January in the year 1836 personally appeared in open Court before AR Hill Abram Prim and William H. Dismukes now sitting for the County aforesaid Zachariah Ellet a resident of said County, aged Eighty years on the first day of January 1836, who being 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 in the summer of the year 1776 as well as he recollects he enlisted in the service of the United States, and was attached to the 10th Regiment in the State of North Carolina, under the command of Colonel Abraham Sheppard, in and Captain Yarboro's [Edward Yarborough's] company as well as I recollect, but may be mistaken in the name of the Captain when we were properly organized we marched to Little York, when we arrived there Colonel Sheppard resigned and we marched back to North Carolina under the command of Major Hoge [perhaps Lt. Col. Thomas Hogg?]-- and marched just ahead of General Hogan [James Hogun], who was ordered to South Carolina; We all rendezvoused at a place called the High Hills of Santee in South Carolina under the command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], from which place we marched to a place called Stono in South Carolina and attacked [June 20, 1779] the enemy, but in consequence of our ammunition giving out, and not being supported by General Moultrie [William Moultrie] as was anticipated we had to retreat after an action of two hours, and a quarter as was said, General Greene [Nathanael Greene] then came on and took command of the southern Army, under whose command we were then placed, and not long afterwards we fought the battle at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] at which engagement I received a gun shot wound through my right thigh which hurts me to this day and has disabled me from performing hard and active service at many times; It may be proper to remark here that I enlisted for three years, and sometime before this battle my term of enlistment expired, and I received a discharge from Colonel Hardy Murphy [Hardy Murfree], but did not go home, and therefore lost it; at the expiration of my enlistment nine months men were raised and I joined under Colonel Armstrong [perhaps a reference to Major John Armstrong of the 3rd NC Regiment of Continentals] if I mistake not and was certainly attached to his Regiment at the battle of the Eutaw Springs, and in Captain Armstrong's [perhaps Capt. William Armstrong's] Company -- I continued under General Greene and was at the battle [March 15, 1781] at Guilford Court House in North Carolina and if I mistake not was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Armstrong, and in Captain Sessions Company from whom on 10th May 1781 I received a discharge which is hereto attached except a small piece which has been lost from it. He also attaches the affidavit of

Captain George Buchanan to prove a part of his Service, and no other means of proving my service in this State. This deponent was born in Pitt County in the State of North Carolina and called that my place of residence till after the war, when I moved into Green County in North Carolina and is now, and lived there till I moved to Georgia, Jones County where I lived about two years, when I removed to Stewart County where I have lived about three years -- and am to the best of my information about 80 years old but know of no record of my age. 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 S/AR Hill, JIC

S/ Zachariah Ellett, X his mark

Georgia, Marion County

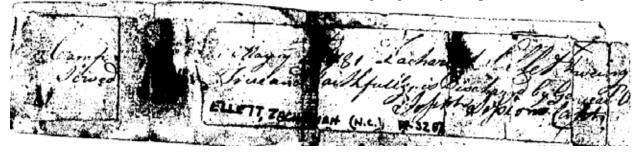
Personally appeared before me Wiley Williams an acting Justice of the Inferior Court for the County of Marion & State aforesaid, George Buchanan¹ Esquire who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was present and in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War and that it comes personally within his knowledge that Zachariah Ellett was in the service of the United States, and fought at the battle of Stono in South Carolina, and that the individual who is making the above application is the identical person Sworn to & subscribed before me this 31st December 1835 S/ Wiley Williams, JIC

S/ George Buchanan

[Galba Mathias, Simpson Bell and Garland Statham gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

[p 7, Power of attorney dated June 13, 1859, given by Furney Elliott, 55, saying he was the son and legal heir of Zachariah Elliott. He signed this document with his mark.]

[p 9] Largely illegible document which appears to be a discharge given in "Camp" in May 1781 to Zachariah Elllet, discharged by "General" [name missing] signed by Joseph Sessions, Capt.



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¹ George Buchanan S32147

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Raleigh North Carolina Secretary of State's Office 27th of January 1836

Sir

I herewith send you a certificate in favor of Zach. Elliot. I do not find his name on the rolls in any other place than that from which the certificate is made and there neither the day nor the month is mentioned on which he enlisted, but I have no doubt he served twelve months. I do not find the name of Willis Scoggin or Williford Horton on the rolls.

I am very respectfully Your Obedient Servant Wm Hill

James L Edwards Esq.
Commissioner of Pensions

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war that Zachariah Elliott a private soldier in Captain Yarborough's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted in the year 1781, for the term of 12 months; and that he left the service on the 10th day of July 1782.

Given under my hand this 27 January 1836 S/Wm Hill