Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Everitt R3404 Transcribed by Will Graves Sarah Everitt

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Georgia, Bullock County

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for said County, Mrs. Sarah Everitt, widow of John Everitt, a revolutionary soldier, who, after being first duly sworn, deposes and says that, by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, she cannot swear positively as to the precise length of her husband's service in the war, but according to the best of her recollection, he served not less than five years in the militia of North Carolina. This declarant states her husband, John Everitt entered into the Army about the 30th year of his age; that in the course of the war her husband, John Everitt, was wounded in the shoulder by a rifle ball which remained in his shoulder until the day of his death. After the conclusion of the war declarant's husband emigrated to Bullock County Georgia, in the year 1785 where he resided until the day of his death which happened on the 17th day of November A.D. 1821, in the 70th year of his age. Declarant testifies that she is 95 years of age, and is so old and infirm that she cannot remember all the particulars of her husband's Service. She recollects that her husband went to, and returned from the war a great many times, and that he was wounded in the shoulder at Betty's Bridge [sic, Beatti's Bridge] on the Drowning Creek near Pedee [River], this Declarant thinks in North Carolina; that her husband, the said John Everitt, served under Captain DeJarnic or D'Garnic² from North Carolina -- Deponent thinks that her husband served in company with a man by the name of James Pickett, but her memory might have failed her that she is so old she recollects but few of the events of that remote period. -- She remembers distinctly that her husband went to the war frequently -- She has seen him with Colonel Wade [Thomas Wade] whom deponent thinks lived in Anson C. H. in North Carolina. She recollects that Colonel Thomas Wade when the Scotch Army entered the neighborhood, retreated for Virginia and declarant's husband followed Colonel Wade a few miles, intending to retreat with him into Virginia, but that Colonel advised deponent's husband to return and keep peaceable, as he was not able to retreat. In consequence of the great age of deponent, she cannot recollect anything more that might throw light on the subject of her husband's services but she swears positively and is certain that her husband served at intervals throughout most of the war.

Sworn to and subscribed this 3rd September 1846 before me

¹ The skirmish at Beatti's Bridge occurred on August 4, 1781, between Whigs commanded by Col. Thomas Wade and Tories commanded by Colonels McNeil and Ray. http://gaz.jrshelby.com/beattisbr.htm

² Probably a reference to Captain John DeJarnette who is known to have served under Col. Thomas Wade of Anson County, NC. See, e.g., <u>Lewis Atkins S2929</u>; <u>William White W65</u>; <u>William Martin S27556</u>; <u>Samuel Ingram R5485</u>; <u>George Hammond R4553</u>

[In 1846 it was stated that Jehu Everitt was the only living child of John and Sarah Everitt. There is no further family data in this file.]