

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward McFadden S2790

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State of Tennessee Maury County

On this the fourth day of September in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable William B. Reese one of the judges of the Court of Chancery now sitting, Edward McFaddin [sic] a resident of Maury County in the State of Tennessee aged about ninety-two years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he entered the militia service as a volunteer in the militia of Chester District South Carolina about the year 1775, and served under one Capt. Patton -- that he was in the battle of the snow camps on Raburn's Creek in Laurens District -- when Tory Robertson was routed and about 150 prisoners taken. Col. Richardson [Richard Richardson] was commandant. This tour lasted about six weeks.

The next tour of duty he served was as a drafted militia man under the same Capt. Patton, & one Col. John Gwin, in this tour which lasted about 3 months, he lay opposite Augusta.

The next tour was under Capt. George Neely in which he was drafted -- Col. Lacey [Edward Lacey] commanded -- in this tour he was stationed at the Congaree Fort -- after that General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] took the Command & the Army was encamped at a place called Brown's old field near Ancrum's ferry -- where they waited to hear the result of the siege of Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781]. In this tour of duty he was out two months -- when he was discharged.

The next tour was under Capt. Cooper as a drafted man when he acted as Quarter master, and was out about seven or eight weeks. That in none of the tours of duty that he served was he in any battle. Col. Mills was commandant.

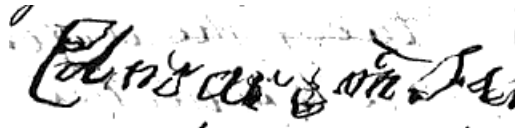
This applicant states that he was born in Ireland on the 5th of July 1740 -- O. S. which record he now has at home. He emigrated to South Carolina late in the year 1772 where he resided until the year 1817 -- when he removed to Maury County Tennessee where he now resides. That he does not know of any individual now living by whom he can prove his services, nor has he any documents by which the same can be established. That he is known to Moses A. Wiley & Jacob Gellham who reside in his present neighborhood who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief as to his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said Edward McFaddin hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of

any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid  
S/ W. E. Gillespie, Clk & Master

S/. Edward McFadden

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Edward McFadden", written over a horizontal line.

[Moses A. Wiley and Jacob Gellham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Maury County: Edward McFaden [sic], about ninety-three years of age; a resident, of said his State and County, has personally appeared before me, John O Cooke, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County: this 31st day of August 1833, who being first duly sworn, agreeable to law doth make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed on the 7th of June 1832, for the benefit of officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated as near as he can recollect. That he entered the service as a volunteer in the month of January 1775, in a company of militia in Chester District in the State of South Carolina commanded by Capt. Robert Patton in a Regiment commanded by Col. John Winn, in which service he continued two months; and acted as a private soldier, in which time we marched to Reedy River; & routed Tory Robinson & his party & made prisoners of upwards of 120 of his party. Col. Richardson was the commandant that tour. The next tour of duty he served was as a drafted militia man, under the same Capt. Patton, and Col. John Winn, which he entered in the month of March 1776. General Williams or Williamson [Andrew Williamson] I do not recollect which his name was, had the command and we was marched to Savannah River, opposite to Augusta in Georgia, where we continued three months and was legally discharged.

The next tour he served was under Capt. George Neely of said Chester District in which he was a private, in a drafted militia company, that he entered the service he thinks in June 1777 or 1778. And was stationed at the Congaree Fort; after which Capt. Thomas had the command of the Fort; he lay at said Fort some time, he does not recollect precisely the length of time; until General Sumter came to the Fort and; we was then marched to a place called Brown's old fields, near Ancrum's ferry, where we waited to hear the result of the siege of Ninety Six. That he was in the service at that time, two months, or perhaps more though does not precisely recollect the length of time and was regularly discharged.

The next tour he was drafted as a private in a militia company, commanded by Capt. Jacob Cosper [could by Cooper] in Col. John Millses [John Mills'] Regiment, which was in the month of October, though does not recollect what year; that they was marched to Orangeburg in South Carolina, and placed under the command of Col. John Henderson, and continued there until the British left Charleston [December 1782]; though does not recollect the length of time they continued their; that he was appointed quarter master immediately after arriving at Orangeburg, & continued to act in that department during their continuation at that place, which was until he was discharged.

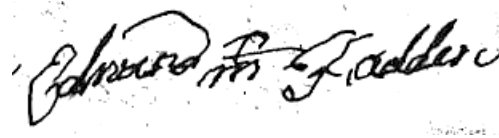
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he any documents by which the same can be established. That the discharges which he obtained, during said revolutionary war are lost, or so mislaid that he cannot find them. That from lapse of time, his old age, and defect of memory he cannot recollect precisely the length of time he served nor the precise dates, having no papers, or documents to aid his memory. That he is known to Jacob Gilham and Moses A. Wiley who reside in his present neighborhood & who can testify as to his veracity, and their belief of his services in the Revolutionary war. And the said Edward McFaden 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 and subscribed the day & year above written

S/ John O. Cooke, JP

S/ Edward McFadden

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Edward McFadden", written in dark ink on a light background. The signature is positioned to the left of a vertical line.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 8 ½ months in the South Carolina militia.]