Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Casey S39291 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 28 Aug 2012.

This day [7 Jul 1821] Edward Casey aged about sixty nine years personally appeared before the County Court of Amherst [VA] the same being expressly constituted a court of Record by Law and being first solemnly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the first of May 1820 That he the said Edward Casey Enlisted for the term of three years under Captain Alexander Cummings [sic: Alexander Cummins] in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia in the year as he believes 1776 and said Cummings afterwards leaving service he was detached to the Company of Captain William Henderson in the first Virginia Regiment on continental Establishment and was subsequently selected for and attached to the rifle corps commanded by Colo Daniel Morgan that he continued in publick service attached to the above corps untill his time of service had expired and was then regularly discharged at Morristown in the state of New jersey

That he has heretofore to wit 18th of January 1820 made oath and a declaration for the purpose of obtaining a pension before the Honorable William Daniel one of the Judges of the general court of Virginia which is herewith annexed as part of his statement but obtained no pension because as he said Casey is informed his name could not be found on the rolls. that he said Casey is a farmer by trade or occupation but from his age and infirmities unable to procure a comfortable subsistence. that his family consists of a wife aged forty four years a son and two Daughters the son is named Edmund Casey and aged eleven[?] years the daughters are named Polly Caldwell Casey aged nine years and Powhatan Bowling Casey aged two years and said Edward Casey doth solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the united States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he hath not since that time by gift sale or in any way since disposed of his property or any part thereof with Intent thereby to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions 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 18th March 1818 and that he said Casey hath not nor hath any person in trust for him any property or securities contacts or debts due to him nor hath he any income other than what is contained in a schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed to wit, two feather Beads bead stands and furniture for them six split bottom Chairs one oven two pots [two illegible words] chests one pine cupboard seven pewter plates six earthenware plates five dishes one dozen cups and saucers Edward hisXmark Casey

At Lynchburg Campbell County Virginia to wit

William Daniel one of the Judges of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Virginia and Judge of the seventh Judicial Circuit Comprehending the County of Campbell aforesaid do certify that Edward Casey a resident of the County of Amherst in the Commonwealth aforesaid came this day before me and being by me first sworn in common form of Law makes upon his oath the following statement and declaration to wit that he the said Edward Casey is now aged about sixty Eight years that he enlisted as a common soldier in the service of the united states in the revolutionary war for three years with Captain William Henderson of Bedford County (the said Edward being then a resident of Buckingham County) of the first Virginia Regiment on continental establishment some time as he thinks in the year 1776 that he marched with the said Captain Henderson into Pensylvania near Philadelphia when and where the said Capt and such part of the men of his company as understood the use of Rifles were attached to the Command of Colonel Daniel Morgan of which he the said Edward Casey was one. this detachment joined Morgans Command at Meadowbrook in newjersey as well as he now can remember that having been in the first Virginia Regiment somewhen about one year he remained under the Command of Colo Morgan some

time about two years and was then regularly discharged at Morristown in Newjersey which discharge has long since been lost or mislaid so that he does not know where it is. That during his service he was in the several Battles hereafter named to wit at Trentown [sic: Trenton, 26 Dec 1776] Princetown [sic: Princeton, 3 Jan 1777] monmouth Court house [28 June 1778], at the capture of General Burgoyne [at Saratoga, 17 Oct 1777] and at Stony point [in NY, 16 July 1779] [illegible word] various other smaller and intermediate efforts that he the said Edward Casey is now in reduced circumstances and being old and feeble needs the aid of his country for support he the s'd Edward Casey further sayeth he is not able to give positively and certainly an historical account of the events which occurred during his service in the order of time in which they happened he thinks he joined Colonel Morgan Command after the Battle at Princetown and that he was attached to the Command of Colo. [Richard] Parker at the Battles of Trenton and Princetown but that he was at times under the Command of Captain William Henderson who was as he thinks of the first Virginia Regiment before he was attached to the rifle corps under the command of Colo Daniel Morgan that he the said Edw'd. Casey was taken Prisoner by the British at Stillwater near Saratoga [19 Sep 1777] and remain and prisoner untill the Capture of Burgoyne after which he rejoined his company and continued in the service under Morgans Command untill discharged and on this same day and at the Place first named Dudley Callaway [pension application S39282] came also before me and being first duly sworn saeth that he is now well acquainted with the above named Edward Casey that he knew him before he enlisted as a souldier in the army of the Revolution that he the said Dudley was himself a souldier in the 5th Virginia Regiment and that he knew the Edward Casey while they were both in the army meeting occasionally with him though attached to different commands untill the 10th day of June 1777 when they fell together in the same company commanded by Captain William Henderson under the command of Colo Daniel Morgan he the said Dudley Callaway having been detached from the 5th Regiment to join Morgans Command and that there after for Eight months the time which he the said Dudley had to serve after he joined Morgan he knew the said Edward Casey in the army and left him in service when he the said Dudley was Discharged and that he the said Dudley remaining near the army for two Months after he was discharged knew the said Edward Casey still to remain in service for and during that time & that he knew the said Edward after he left the army makes every reason to believe that he served out the full term for which he was Enlisted (as he was known in the army to be a good souldier) That he is now is well acquainted with the said Edward Casey and his circumstances knows him to be very Poor and needy that he very much needs assistance for support and being well satisfied of the credibility of the statements above set forth do certify that it appears to my satisfaction that the above named Edward Casey was engaged in the service of the united states in the Revolutionary war against the common Enemy for the space of nine months and more and that he is now in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support and do hereby send the proceedings before me had to the Secretary for the department of War of the united states to avail as they ought to enable the said Edw'd. Casey to obtain the provision lately made by an act of Congress for certain persons who were engaged in the land and naval service of the united states in the Revolutionary War under my hand and seal there being no official seal known to me of the Superior Court of Law for the County in which I reside January 18th 1820 William Daniel

Corporation of Lynchburg towit

This day Jesse Reynolds [W5683] made oath before the undersigned Major of said corporation that he served two years in the 5th Virginia Regiment in the revolutionary army and knew Edward Casey in the army about half of that time and that he served with him Casey about Eight months in the same company in a detachment in Morgans Rifle Corps and that when he was discharged he left the said Casey in the Army in Good Standing Given under my hand the 15th day of May 1821

Halifax County Virginia to wit

This day David Street [W6164] of said County came before me a Justice of the peace for said County and on the holy Evangelist made oath that he served two years in the revolutionary army in the fifth Virginia Regiment and was well acquainted with Edward Casey for about Eight months habing served that length of time in the same company in a detachment in Morgans Rifle Corps and that when he the said Street was discharged which was from Campt Valley forge February the 14th 1778 he left the said Casey in the army in good standing Given from under my hand June the 8th 1821

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on this day Dudley Callaway Came before me and made oath in due form of Law that he Personally knew Edward Casey (often times called Edmund Casey) as a soaldier in the Revolutionary War of the first Virginia Regiment on continental Establishment that he knew him before he enlisted as a soadier and while he was in the army and especially for three or four months previous to the time when boath were detached he the said Dudley from the 5th and the said Edward or Edmund from the 1st Virginia Regiment and attached to the Rifle corps under command of Daniel Morgan in which last service they were together for Eight months so that he nas now hesitation in saying that he knew the said Ed. Casey for more that one year in the actual service of the United States in the Revolutionary War and has no doubt he served much longer as he left the said Casey in service the times when he left it and has known the said Casey Eversince.

This affidavit is made in addition to what is stated on the paper certificate by me on the 18th January 1820