## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Evan Holt S41653

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The State of Ohio Knox County Ss

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 1818 before me John H Mefford one of the associate Judges in and for the County of Knox and State aforesaid personally appeared Evan Holt aged 56 years a Resident of the United States at present a Resident of the County and State aforesaid who being by me first duly sworn according to the law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late 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." Viz: That the said Evan Holt enlisted at a place called Valley Forge & he thinks in Montgomery County now on the Schuylkill in the state of Pennsylvania in the month of June in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy eight in a company commanded by Capt. John Ashmitt and was attached to the Second Regiment of the Pennsylvania line commanded by Colo. Walter Stewart. That he continued to served in the said Corps or in the service of the United States untill the final end and close of the War when deponent was discharged from the Service in Philadelphia, that he Rec'd. a printed discharge signed by B. Lincoln [Gen. Benjamin Lincoln] which Discharge he produces as a further Testimony That he was in the skirmish against the British Commanded by Cornwallis at the Green Springs in the State of Virginia [Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] and at the memorable Taking of Cornwallis at York Town [Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] & numerous other skirmishes &c. And this Deponent saith that altho' he now resides on and possesses 100 acres of Land in Knox County aforesaid obtained for his military services yet he is in Low circumstances in life that from the fatigues and Hardships of War his bodily constitution has been much impaired and consequently is infirm and unable to support himself by labour and stands in need of assistance from his country for support and further he said not.

THESE are to CERTIFY that the bearer hereof Evan Holt Soldier in the 1<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania regiment, having fatihfully [sic] served the United States from June 1778 to the present date and being inlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American army.

Given at the war office the 15<sup>th</sup> August 1783 By order of the secretary at war, [signed] Jos. Carlston[?] Sec'y Registered in the books of the regiment, Rich'd Fullerton [Richard Fullerton] adjutant

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On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in open court, being the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County and a Court of Record in pursuance of the Constitution and Laws of said State of Ohio, Evan Holt aged about 57 years resident in Knox County in said State who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, towit, In Captain Pattersons [John Patterson's] Company of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg't. 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade of the Pennsylvania line Said Regiment being Commanded by Colo. Steward and the Brigade by General [Anthony] Wayne and was honorably discharged at Philadelphia at which time Capt Bankson [John Bankson, pension application W25210] Commanded said Company which discharge has been sent to the war Office with my former declaration. The date of my Original Declaration is on or about the 25 July 1818 and the number of my

pension certificate is 9,979. 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 in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself 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 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, towit,

100 acres land granted by Congress for Revolutionary Services being lot 25 in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of T7 of R.15 of U.S. Military District, 2 houses, one of them very ordinary, 2 cows 2 old axes & grubbing hoe, 3 sugar kettles 1 pot 1 bake oven, 9 yearlings and calves, 6 sheep, 2 sows & pigs, 1 small skillett 6 old chairs, plates knives & forks spoons & cups, one old Waggon plough & Harrow, my occupation is a Common Labourer but am not able to pursue it constantly nor sufficiently to support myself. My wife is 57 years of age and is not able to Labour sufficient to support herself. My daughter Martha is 15 years of age and is an idiot, and is not capable of taking care of herself without the constant attention of some of the family and she will undoubtedly be an expense to me as long as we both live. My son John is 12 years of age he is unable to do much towards supporting himself but is dependant on me for support, I am justly indebted to my creditors to the amount of about one hundred dollars

## "signed" Evan Holt

[The court valued the property at \$660.50. The Pension Office considered an estate of more than \$200 as disqualification for a pension under the acts of 1818 and 1820.]

The State of Ohio Knox county Ss./ August 4th A.D. 1828

For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of An Act for the relief of Certain Surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1828 I Evan Holt of Knox County in the State of Ohio aforesaid Do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Capt. John Banksons Company in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of the Pennsylvania line. That my Company during part of the time of my enlistment was Commanded by a Capt. Patterson and for about 2 years I was a musician in s'd. Company being the drummer. That my Regiment during the early part of my enlistment was known as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg't. but by a reduction or some other arrangement it became the 1<sup>st</sup> and was commanded by Col. Steward. The Brigade by Gen'l. Wayne. I further state that I rec'd. a Discharge which was forwarded to the War Department in 1818 upon an application then made for a pension. That I obtained a pension Certificate in 1818 Numbered 9,979 and was subsequently droped from the list on account of my property. And I also declare that I rec'd. a certificate for the Reward of Eighty Dollars to which I was entitled under a Resolve of Congress passed the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1778 And I further declare that I was not on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 1828 on the pension list of the United States



## TREASURY DEPARTMENT./ Aug't 26 1828

Evan Holt, of [blank] in the County of Knox, in the State of Ohio, has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in captain Bankson's company, in the First regiment of the Pennsylvania line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th day of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3d of March, 1826, nothing.