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Pension application of Edmond Etchison S8436 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina Rowan County: SS

On this twelfth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Superior Court of Law for Rowan County now sitting the same being a Court of Record, Edmond Etchison aged about Seventy Five years a resident of said County who being first 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 he was born in Charles County Maryland and when a youth removed to Fauquier County Virginia. That he has no record of his age. Shortly before the war he removed to Rowan County North Carolina where he has resided ever since, and was at the time he came to Rowan about twenty-five years old.

That he entered the service of the United States among the first militia that were called, as a volunteer for five months at the place owned by Lieut [? could be Lant] Taylor in Rowan County in the company commanded by Captain John Johnston -- afterwards Major. The company was designed to go to Charleston; at Salisbury Colonel Locke [Matthew Locke] and General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] took command of the militia collected there; and they marched into South Carolina and when they got near Charleston Captain Johnston with them; and James Craig was the Captain and James Chapman Lieutenant: When near Charleston the company was turned towards Georgia and marched to Purrysburg and were stationed there four or five months, to prevent the enemy from crossing the River at that place: when the time for which he volunteered had expired he was discharged and came home: that he has lost that discharge which was given to him at Salisbury NC.

A short time after he came home he was drafted at the same place in Rowan County for three months in the company of Captain Gabriel Enochs and marched towards Wilmington NC General Rutherford being commander, and at a place called the Brick House they had a fight [November 15, 1781]¹. At the end of the time they were discharged and incoming home they had a fight in which he was wounded in the shoulder; and was brought home by Captains Jeppe [? could be Leppe or Seppe, possibly an attempt to name Capt. John Lopp] and Enochs -- beside this he was in several skirmishes with the Tories after other times: he refers to his neighbors Caswell Harbin and Nathan Chaffin as being able to testify as to his character and reputation.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever 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 within his

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¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_brick_house.html

knowledge: he further states that he had discharges from the officers but has lost all of them, and that there is no person living by whom he can prove his services.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid S/ Henry Giles, CSC

S/ Edmond Etchison, X his mark

[Caswell Harbin and Nathan Chaffin gave the standard supporting affidavit. They recite that they were doing so in the absence of a regular clergyman.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the North Carolina militia.]