Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Evans W10019 Elizabeth f76NC
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State of Indiana, Owen County

On this 16th day of October AD 1832, personally appeared in open court before the honorable Amory Kinney presiding judge and Abraham Evans, associate, William Bull, associate (being absent), judges of the Circuit Court of the said County of Owen, the same being a court of Record, now sitting, Andrew Evans, a resident of said County aged 73 years, having been born on the 28th of September 1759, who being first duly sworn, according to Law, doth, on his Oath, make the following declaration, for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832: -- That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated: -- His first service was as a Volunteer, in the Virginia Militia under a Captain William Neil from Montgomery County, Virginia, from which County this applicant entered the service from Washington County, Virginia, that being his place of residence: Captain Neil was under Colonel William Campbell, and the service lasted about two weeks, during which time the body of troops to which this applicant belonged was in search for, and in pursuit of, the Tories, on New River, below Peppers Ferry, in the town and of Montgomery County, as well as this declarant recollects (and he is pretty certain he is correct) it was in the month of May next before the battle at King's Mountain. His lieutenant's name was John Wood[?] Lyon – His Ensign's name he thinks was Doherty. After this short term, the troops were marched back and discharged verbally in Surry County North Carolina.

Second: This declarant was afterwards ordered out by the Col. of Washington County to aid in guarding a Tory Captain of the name of James Carr, on his way to Richmond, as far as Haws' [?] Meadows-- in which service he was employed about one week – this was a short time after the former service. The custody of said Carr was given to David Kincaid of Washington County.

Third: This applicant was afterwards in the month of July called out by Colonel William Campbell to go with a body of troops to the Moravian Town in North Carolina against the Tories, who were there rising. His Captain was Jacob Stephens; and his Lieutenant was the same Nash [? could be "Wash"]-- They marched from Washington & Montgomery to the said Moravian Town and traversed the Country from there to Allen's Iron works, and on to the Town Fork of Dan River, and at the Shallow Ford of the Yadkin [River] – from thence they returned to the Moravian Town, where they were stationed for about a month, after they had continued there that length of time, they went on to the waters of Dan River again – After this they returned home, with orders to be in readiness at a moments warning to again take the field. This tour lasted about seven or eight weeks – he thinks he may safely say seven weeks.

Fourth: In about ten days after applicant had returned home, another call was made, on the County of Washington, where the applicant still lived, as well as upon other surrounding counties. This declarant again entered the service as a volunteer under Captain William Edmondson; the lieutenant's name was also Edmondson; shortly after the Company met, being volunteers, they were marched to Abingdon, Virginia in the same County, and joined the command of Col. William

Campbell – marched into Sullivan & Washington (then North Carolina, now Tennessee) where they joined Sevier [John Sevier] & Shelby [Isaac Shelby], and the three colonels some short time after joined Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland] – This junction was formed by the battle at King's Mountain in which this applicant took part. He recollects that Captain Edmondson & his lieutenant were both killed on the field – Major Lewis was wounded and died the third day. He saw Colonel Furguson [sic, Major Patrick Ferguson] after he fell and saw all his wounds – the one which proved fatal was received by a ball which struck him in the face. -- he recollects the name of Mills, a Tory Colonel, who was hung afterwards – He also remembers the name of a Captain of the Tories of the name of Inman, who was pursued some distance but not taken. After this battle, this applicant continued in service so as to make in all, the period of two months that he was out in this tour; he thinks a little over, but he considers himself safe saying two months: He was discharged verbally, but honorably as one of those who had fought bravely at King's Mountain: He thinks he got home in November after the battle.

5.: Immediately after his return, this applicant went into Washington County North Carolina (now Tennessee) and volunteered under Sevier (Colonel) to go against the Indians (Cherokees). This tour lasted three months which he performed, and was at the end, honorably discharged. One of the Major's name was Tipton; the Captain this applicant was under was of the name of David Edmondson, a relative of him who was killed at King's Mountain – He returned home from this campaign in the close of the winter or beginning of the spring following – dates not recollected. -- The troops of Sevier marched into the Cherokee County, and had during the campaign one small engagement – in which about 16 Indians were found dead and a number wounded. He recollects they took their Christmas dinner, in Town called Old Chota. This campaign ended this applicant's services in the Revolution.

From all of which it will appear that he was entitled to pay for:

- 1. One tour of two weeks
- 2. One do one do
- 3. One do seven do
- 4. One do two months
- 5. One do three month

5 months 10 weeks or 5 mo. & 70 days, equal to 7 months and ten days.

He has no written documents to prove his services – having never received a discharge in writing – but he solemnly declares upon his oath that he faithfully served his Country as he has herein set forth. He has no living witness by whom he can prove his services, and must rely upon this his declaration, and the testimony of his neighbors hereto annexed. He states that he served in each tour as a volunteer – he was born in Mecklenburg County North Carolina. He has lived since the revolution 13 years in Tennessee – 27 years in Pulaski [County] in Kentucky; and nearly 8 years in said County of Owen, in the state of Indiana aforesaid where he now resides. He 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 of the Union.

Signed and sworn to, the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Andrew Evins

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[Thomas C. Johnston, a clergyman, Elijah Lacy & John McCullough gave the standard supporting affidavit]

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State of Indiana Owen County: July 8, 1833

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace for said County, Andrew Evans, who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of

memory, he cannot swear positively to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grade: First I served as a private soldier two weeks -- secondly one week -- served seven weeks -- fourth two months, and fifth three months in all as a private soldier of the revolution, seven months and 10 days, for which I claim a pension.

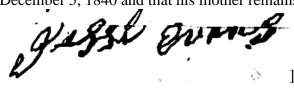
S/ Andrew Evans

S/ James Boldon, JP

[f p. 9: On November 8, 1843, in Owen County, Indiana, Elizabeth Evans, 79, filed for a widows pension stating that she is the widow of Andrew Evans, a revolutionary pensioner at the rate of \$24.44 per annum; that she married him in 1781 (month and date not stated) (date of death of her husband is not stated).

Elizabeth Evans

[f p. 10; On November 8th, 1843 in Owen County Indiana, Jesse Evans testified in support of his mother's claim stating that he is the son of Elizabeth and Andrew Evans; that he was born March 12 1787; that he had two older brothers David and Nathaniel; that he, Jesse, married East or Hetty M. Newel Jany 28, 1812; that his mother has not married since the death of his father; that his father died December 5, 1840 and that his mother remains his father's widow.



[fn p. 11—begins the family record as follows:

Andrew Evans was born September 28, 1759

Batsay Evans [Betsey or Elizabeth Evans] was born July 29, 1764

David Evans was born January 11, 1783

Nathal Evans [Nathaniel Evans] was born January 21, 1785

Jesse Evans born March 13, 1787

John Evans was born June 27, 1789

Batsay [Betsey Evans][illegible middle name] Evans was Born March [?] 1791

Nansay Evans [Nancy Evans] was born fabru [illegible] 1793

Samuel Evans was born April 2, 1795

Hetty M. Davis born September 20 1783

[children of Jesse and Hetty Evans]

Samuel N. Evans born November 12, 1812

Elizabeth F. Evans born September 17, 1814

Jane M. Evans born September 7, 1816

Andrew H. Evans born December 25, 1818

Margaret Evans born April 26, 1821

Harriet M. Evans born March 21, 1823

John M. Evans born May 9th 1825

Mary Jane Knox born October 31, 1839

Jesse Evans and Hetty Evans were married January 28 1812

Elizabeth F. Evans was married April 10, 1834

Jane M. Evans was married July 5, 1836

Margaret E. Evans was married December 16, 1841

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.44 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months & 10 days in the Virginia militia.]