Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Eastor (Easter) W18857 Barbara Eastor f49NC
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State of North Carolina, Davidson County

On this 11th day of November 1845 personally appeared before us Jacob Berrier & John Miller Two of the acting Magistrates in & for the County aforesaid Barbara Eastor, a Citizen of the County & State aforesaid aged 82 years who being first sworn in due form of law doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed March 3rd day 1843, and June 17th, 1844, That she is the widow of Mich'l Easter, Deceased of Davidson County North Carolina -- who was a soldier in the North Carolina line in the war of the Revolution, And that, she is of full belief that he served in the Army of the United States at least one year, a part of the time under Captain Shockay as she has often heard her husband the aforesaid Mich'l Easter say -- the other Captains he served under, she does not recollect, She further states that she was married to the aforesaid Mich'l Easter, in the County of Rowan North Carolina in the year 1780 And that he the aforesaid Mich'l Easter, lived until the year 1821 At which time, he departed this life in Davidson County North Carolina & that she has remained a widow from that time to the present, Sworn to and Subscribed before us the day & year above written.

S/ Jacob Berrier, JP

S/ Barbara Easter, X her mark

S/ John Miller, JP

[Jacob Berrier and John Miller gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina, Davidson County

On this 14th day of May 1846, personally appeared before us Jacob Berrier & Hiram Ward, two of the acting Justices of the peace in & for the County & State aforesaid Barbara Easter a Resident of Davidson County North Carolina aged 82 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following supplemental declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 4th day 1836, and the Act explanatory of said Act passed March 3rd day 1837, that she was married to Michael Easter late deceased of North Carolina Davidson County, who was known & respected in his neighborhood to have been a soldier in the Revolution War -- And that he served, the United States in the following manner, -- first he was drafted in the year 1780 to serve a three months tour in North Carolina line & with the militia, And as such he served in was a private in the Army of the United States, and after having served over three months was discharged from this tour of Service, & she has often heard her husband, the aforesaid Michael Easter say the names

of the officers & the Regiment he served with, she cannot recollect.

The next tour of Service he was again drafted left home in order join the Army in or near Salisbury North Carolina Rowan County, & from the report of heard neighbors, who she thinks did know her husband as before named joined the Army at or near Salisbury North Carolina Rowan County in the year 1781 or 82, & that he served part of his tour under Captain Williams, as she heard her Husband say the other officers, that he served under & with she has often heard him talk about (but, not thinking to be brought on oath on the case, paid so little regard to the purport, that she now on her oath cannot relate the names of the different Officers, of either of his tours, only that of Captain Williams.[)]

She further declares that she was married to the said Michael Easter in North Carolina Rowan County in the year 1780 that her husband the aforesaid Michael Easter died in the year 1820 & that she has remained a widow ever since that period, and that she has continued to live in the same State & County; where her husband the aforesaid Michael now Davidson -- the truth of all which will more fully appear by reference to proves hereto annexed, Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before us.

S/ Barbara Easter, X her mark

S/ Jacob Berrier, JP S/ Hiram Ward, JP S.

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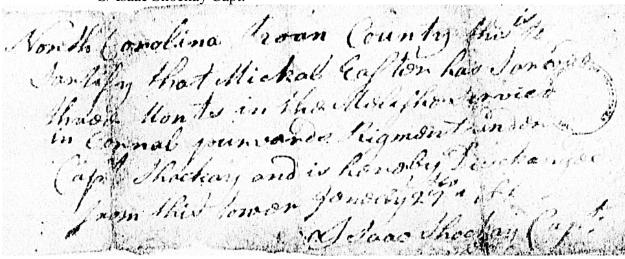
"North Carolina Roan [Rowan] County this is to

Sartify [certifiy] that Mickal Eastor has Sarvied [served]

Three Monts [months] in the [indistinguishable word, looks like "Molasho"] Servies [service] In Cornal [Colonel] [indecipherable name, looks like "younvards"] Rigmdnt [Regiment] under Capt. Shockay and is honoby [honorably] Dischargee [discharged]

From this Tower [tour] Janday [January?] 27th 1781

S/ Isaac Shockay Capt."



State of North Carolina, Moore County

On this ninth day of August 1845 Personally appeared before me John Patterson one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Richard Stokes¹ a Resident

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¹ Richard Stokes S42026

Citizen of the County & State aforesaid (a United States Pensioner) who being first sworn in due form of law, doth on his oath make the following statements, that he is now 80 years old, And that he served the United States, a private soldier, in the Revolution War, that he joined the Army in the State of Virginia Halifax County, being drafted for three months, And that he being commanded by Captain Paul Waddleton, & under him deponent did serve in the Army on to the Town of Salisbury North Carolina Rowan County, at which place, the Company & their Captain (to wit) Paul Waddleton, was there attached to Captain Robert Moore, and commanded by General Greene [Nathanael Greene] That deponent distinctly recollects that Mich Easter was one of Captain Robert Moore's Soldiers, And that deponent became intimately acquainted with the aforesaid Michael Easter, & that, deponent and the said Mich'l Easter, did serve together in the Army of the United States at least six months, until said Mich'l Easter received his discharge from the Army. On his Tour of service, and that deponent, States on his aforesaid Oath, that he served out his first Tour of service & that he then Enlisted for during the War, and did serve as such, & that since the breaking up of the Revolution War, deponent often visited the house of the aforesaid Mich'l Easter & became well acquainted with his wife Barbara (now his widow) that Mich'l & Barbara Easter did reside in Rowan County North Carolina, & that deponent has been at the house of the aforesaid Mich'l Easter since the time of his death the date of his death deponent saith the North month, sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year above written. S/ John Patterson JP S/ Richard Stokes, X his mark

[Jacob Berrier gave an affidavit that he knew Michael Easter and Barbara Essacks [sic, Isaacs?] before and after their marriage.]

State of North Carolina, Moore County

On this 30th day of January 1846 personally appeared before me John Patterson one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for Moore County, James Monk² a resident Citizen of the County & State aforesaid, a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States, And made oath in due form of law, that in the days of the Revolution he was well acquainted with Mich'l Easter late deceased of Davidson County North Carolina, whose widow Barbara Easter of said County is now applying for a pension due her on account of the Revolutionary Service of her husband Mich'l Easter deceased as aforesaid that he deponent knows of his own personal knowledge that said Mich'l Easter was a private soldier in Captain Robert Moore's Company of the North Carolina line in the year 1782 & 83. That he deponent was a private soldier in Captain Sharp's Company & that Mich'l Easter was a private soldier in Captain Robert Moore's Company of the line until the time of Robert Moore's death -- & after the death of Robert Moore as aforesaid, deponent does not recollect what officer the aforesaid Mich Easter served the balance of his time Under that deponent distinctly recollects that he was in the service with the aforesaid Mich'l Easter through South Carolina & at Charleston & at James Island -- And that after having served in the Army together Mich'l Easter as aforesaid and the aforesaid James Monk at least nine months the aforesaid Mich'l Easter was discharged at Ashley Hill near Charleston South Carolina from the tour of service, sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written before me.

S/ John Patterson JP

S/ James Monk, X his mark

[p 46, Gudlaph Grimes, 83, [June 8, 1847] testified that he attended the marriage of Michael

² James Munk (Monk) S41905

Easter to Barbara Essex in the part of Rowan County that later became Davidson County; that they were married on the Sabbath day by Lewis Snider in 1780, "and the reason why this deponent can so safely ascertain the date of marriage, on Friday night prior to the above stated marriage, a set of Tories killed George Williams & his son in a short distance of the house, where the above Michael & Barbara Easter were married, & soon in the day on Sunday following after this murder happened, this deponent attended the burying of said George Williams & son, & they were buried at Pilgrims Church as above named; & on the same day Snider preached a sermon at the same place, & after preaching on the same day and in the same house Michael & Barbara Easter was married, & there is a Tomb Stone at the Grave of George Williams, stating that he was murdered in the year 1780 & this deponent knows the truth of all this."]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for her husband service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]