## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Ewing W9 Margaret Ewing VA
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The State of Tennessee \ County Court

Blount County } September Session 1832

On this 28th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the worshipful Court now sitting for the County aforesaid George Eweing resident in the County and State aforesaid aged 72. since February last who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed 7th June 1832

That he entered the service of the United States and served as hereinafter stated &c. In Montgomery County State of Virginia applicant at 18 years of age on the [blank] day of March 1778 was drafted to serve and Eighteen months tour, and performed by a substitute and on the [blank] day of 1778 volunteered and was mustered into service at a place appointed for that purpose in said County of Montgomery under the command of Lieutenat James Crawford, & marched to guard the frontier Station on the head Clinch river in Virginia & remained at that place in service until the three months for which applicant volunteered had expired then returned home – and then on the [blank] day of in the Spring of 1779. volunteered for no definite length of time as there were tories in the Country we volunteered to suppress the tories and fight & and do all other services enjoind[?] on the soldery of the United States army and marched to the Led mines on New [sic: lead mines on New River in Wythe County VA] under the command Capt Love [probably William Love] regiment Col. William Campbell and rendevoused at & about the said Led mines some time until the army collected together, and then took the line of march and went to the head of New River in persuit of the tories, we then returned home, and were ordered out in our own County to suppress the tories & took the prisoners and disarmed them and guarded them until they were tried. Then on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year '80 applicant Joined the cavalry and was mustered into service in the Cavalry line under the command of Capt Isaac Campbell who had about 100 men under his command and marched us to various places some times in the state of Virginia & some times in North Carolina, and in that State we had a scrimage with the Brittish on the reedy fork of Haw River [at Wetzel's Mill]. Applicant was wounded Col. [William] Preston & does not recollect the day of the month of this scrimage but it was in the year 781 [sic: 6 Mar 1781]. Applicant was then detached & sent off to Moravian town [Bethabara, Bethania, or Salem NC] with the wounded & remained there some time say until after the Battal at Guilford [Guilford Courthouse, 15 March 1781] until the wounded were able to travel, applicant then returned home, this was applicants last tour of service, and all his services in the revolutionary war was for between 2 and three years in actual service

Applicant has no discharge nor has he any documentary evidence wherby he can authenticate the same, nor has he any living witness whereby he can prove his services – nor can he in any way prove the same unless by his own oath

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 any state territory or agency of any of the states of this union

The State of Tennessee } Ss Blount County }

Be it known, that on this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord 1833 personally appeared before me William Tool, one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for Blount County in the State of Tennessee aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn to hold the Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions in the same, George Ewing aged 73 years since the 3<sup>d</sup> day of last February, who being first duly sworn

according to Law, doth, on his oath, make the following amendatory Declaration (amending the one made Sept 28<sup>th</sup> 1832 and Numbered in the Office of Pension Claims, in the Department of War of the Untied States 13.817) in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress pass'd June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following nambed officers and served as herein stated

That the amendment to the Declaration of George Ewing No 13.817 in the office of Pension Claims of the United States Sheweth, That in answer to the four interrogatories returned with a red negative for further answer or explanation – That he will give, so far as his memory will enable him, satisfactory answers thereto. in the first place he states that he was born in Prince Edward County, State of Virginia on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of February A.D. 1760. That he now has the record of his age transcribed from the Holy Bible of his Father and inserted in that of his own, from which it appears, he was born at the time and place aforesaid. From Prince Edward County he removed with his Father to Montgomery County Virginia at an early age where he resided at the time he was called into service in the war of the Revolution.

In the first place, as stated in his original Declaration he was drafted as a regular in the State Line of Virginia for 18 months, but did not serve, himself, but [illegible word] a substitute in his place. this was in the Spring of 1778.

Then in the same summer, to wit, the Summer of 1778 he volunteered, as a private in the militia, for three months and served the time fully and faithfully, under the command of Lieutenant James Crawford, as is stated in his original Declaration, guarding the frontier on the Head of Clinch River in the State of Virginia where he was discharged, but rec no written discharge

Then, again, in March or April 1779 he volunteered under the command of Captain Long in the regiment of Col. William Campble for no deffinate period of time, but served as a private, some time on horse back, sometimes on foot, until in april 1781 – except the last three months in '81 he served as an Ensign, commissioned by Col Comd't. Preston [Col. Commandant William Preston], which commission he has long since lost. By refference to his original Declaration can be seen more particularly the Officers under whome he served, and the nature of his services. From March or Apl '79 to April '81 is two years, which he was in actual and constant service and engaged for that length of time in no civil or other pursuit what ever. As to the grades, it will be seen from this amendment, two years of his services were performed as a private militia man – the last three months as a commissioned officer of the grade of Ensign.

Now it will clearly be seen that he served two years and three months for which he claims a Pension – towit, 3 months at one time and two years the second, and the last three months of the two year as a commissioned officer.

Applicant removed from Montgomery County Va. to the state of Tennessee (or to the county now Tenn) in 1783 and has been a resident of the same ever since. He has resided in the County of Blount since, before its organization, towit for the space of 48 years – and was an acting Justice of the peace in the same for 37 years.

As to the Citizens in his neighborhood, who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution, – he can state those of the most respectable in the county, towit, James Gillespy, M. to Leg'tr. John F. Gillespy, Atto at Law, Edward Mitchell, Esqr, Samuel McCollock, Rev'r. Isaac Anderson D.D., Revr. Darius Hoyt Col Wm Wallace, and James Houston.

As no further or other alteration was required by the war Department than these included in the four interrogatories returned with a negative he presumes he has satisfactorly answered the same at least as well as he can and has reflected more on the subject then he had done at first and hopes he has removed the presumption that arose against the certainty of his services &c.

State of Tennessee } County Court November Term 1844
Blount County }

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November one thousand eight hundred and forty-four personally appeared in open Court in the County aforesaid Robert Rhea [pension application W10235], aged about eighty four years, who after being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says, that he is well acquainted with Margaret Ewing and her Decs'd husband George Ewing and that he knows said George Ewing to have served three years in the War of the Revolution, he is unable to state the precise time when said Ewing entered the service, but he thinks it was the year 1779 or 1780, he entered the service as a volunteer, in the County of Montgomery in the State of Virginia, in Captain Isaac Campbells company of Cavalry, Wm. Dean [William Dean] he thinks was a Lieutenant in said Company. Walter Crockett he thinks was Col. commandant of said regiment, and Joseph Cloyd Major, he was in the same company, and was with said Ewing during the whole period of his service, he thinks that they marched from Montgomery County, where they entered the service, to New river, in said State in the first place, thence to North Carolina through the Counties of Burke and Rutherford &c and caught and hung several tories in their route, they were not stationed long at any one place during their service, but were kept marching from place to place, their expedition being chiefly directed against the Tories, they were in only one engagement of any consequence during the time of their service, and that was in North Carolina on the Adkin or Yadkin River, at a ford of said River called the shallow ford [14 Oct 1780], under the command of Major Joseph Cloyd they met a party of tories at at that place (about four hundred in number) and after a short engagement put them to flight the tories having lost, in killed and wounded about fifty. They had several other slight skirmishes with the tories but none of much importance. Affiant is unable to state the precise time when they entered the service and when they were discharged, but feels confident that said Ewing served three years. he further states that said Margaret Ewing is still a widow

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[On 28 Nov 1844 James Wyly (pension application W26145) made a very similar statement.]

NOTE: On 4 March 1844 Margaret Ewing, about 78, applied for a pension stating that she married George Ewing on 3 Jan 1786, and he died 4 July 1840. She referred to a family record kept in a Bible that was sent to a son, Alexander Ewing, who lived in Edgar County IL. The record is transcribed below. Margaret Ewing also submitted her own copy of the family record in which the date of birth of Alexander Ewing is given as 25 Feb 1791, and the name of a daughter is spelled Eleanor rather than Elander. On 29 May 1844 James Ewing, about 76, of Monroe County TN, certified the marriage.

## BIRTHS.

George Ewing was born February 3<sup>rd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1760 Margaret Ewing was born February 13<sup>th</sup> in the year of four Lord 1765 John Ewing was born February 27<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1787 Rachel Ewing was born August 15<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1788 Alexander Ewing was born February 21<sup>st</sup> in the year of our Lord 1791 Elander Ewing was born November 4<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1792 Margaret Ewing was born August 4<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1795 Samuel Ewing was born January 27<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1797 David Caldwell Eagleton was born April 1<sup>st</sup> 1814 Margaret Ellen Eagleton was born July 4<sup>th</sup> 1816 Margaret Angiline Eagleton was born January 27 1817 Samuel Ewing Eagleton was December 30<sup>th</sup> 1819 George Ewing Eagleton was born October 21<sup>st</sup> 1819

Elvira Hamilton Eagleton was born July 27 1821

Isaac Anderson Eagleton was born May 7 1823

David Parker was born March 1 1803

Ellen Parker was born Febry 26 1805

Mary Jane Emily Eagleton was born July 1822

William Clark Eagleton was born August 30 1825

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George Ewing [rest illegible]

[several other entries entirely illgible]

DEATHS.

David Caldwell Eagleton departed this life July 4th 1815

John Ewing departed this life October 7th 1819

Samuel Ewing departed this life December 16 1822

Isaac Anderson Eagleton departed this life March 18 1824

Rachel Ewing departed this life July 16 1823 in the 89th year of her age

David Parker departed this life August 29 1825 aged 22 ½ years

Rachel Eagleton departed this life August 20 1820 aged 38 years & 5 days

George Ewing departed this life July 4 1840

MARRIAGES.

George Ewing was married to Margaret Caldwell January 3<sup>rd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1786

Rachel Ewing was married to Alexander Eagleton February 9th in the year of our Lord 1813

Margaret Ewing was Married to William Eagleton April 2th[?] in the year of our Lord 1816

Alexander Ewing was married to Jane Waring[?] November 1817

Sally Caldwell was married to Ewing Alexander January 20 1824

Ellen Ewing was married to Samuel McCulloch July 20 1824