

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Edward Taylor, W18104

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State of North Carolina, Montgomery County

On this 18th day of March 1838 personally appeared before me Littleton Harris one of the acting Justice of the Peace in & for the aforesaid County Ann Taylor widow aged 77, years who first being duly Sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in Order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the act of Congress July of the 4th 1836, She states that She is the identical widow of Edward Taylor deceased who was a Soldier of the Army of the Revolution and that She has not Married Since that she was raised in Fairfax County in the State of Virginia that her Father Butlar Ashford [sic, Butler Ashford?] moved to Guilford County North Carolina in the time of the Revolutionary war & the last day of September 1779, She was married to Edward Taylor and shortly after he was drafted for three months Service in the war & left home She thinks two weeks before Christmas & was marched from Guilford Court House to the South as She was informed his officers She has no recollection of their names the discharge here enclosed was her husband's for three months Service & the Certificate of William Taylor his brother for three Months that is here annexed making Six months for which Service She claims a Pension for her husband his brother William & their Father moved to this County She thinks 50 or 60 years past & her husband resided on the same place to his death which was on the 12th day of February 1833, and She resides on the Same place & is the identical widow of Edward Taylor & has not Married Since She thinks there was a register of her age & marriage but she does not know where it is.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year as above before me.

S/ L. Harris, JP

S/ Ann Taylor, X her mark

Be it known that before me Littleton Harris one of the acting Justice of the Peace in & for the County of Montgomery, North Carolina Personally appeared William Taylor & after being duly Sworn according to Law doth on his Oath State that he is the brother of Edward Taylor deceased as above who was the Sons of John Taylor all of whom resided in Fairfax County in the State of Virginia below Alexandria & not far from Potomac River at the Commencement of the Revolution that his Father & his brother Edward was called into Service Several times but he does not know how long & they helped build one or more breast works on or near the River as he understood after his Father moved to Guilford County North Carolina & there resided till after the war & before a draft took place his Father was clear by age of Militia Service his brother Married Ann Ashford before he performed he thinks any Service in North Carolina her Father moved from the same County in Virginia & settled in Guilford County a neighbor & a short time after his brother's marriage he was drafted for three months Service he met at Guilford Court House & was Marched to the South his officers' names is not recollected & Some time after my brother returned from the South I had arrived to the age of Militia Service a draft took place myself & my brother Edward was drafted for three months Service under Captain McCade & Colonel Pacey [sic, Paisley] & was Marched towards the lower part of this State & to various places when their Service was out they received a discharge & what has become of them I do not know it was the first service I performed he had a register of their age & is among the connection but where I know not but think I am near 74, years of age his Father myself & brother E. Taylor moved to the County between 50, & 60 – years past & he resided to the death of Father & brother Edward & his widow Ann Taylor resides on the same place & has never Married since & has ever resided a near neighbor my brother Edward died the 12th of February 1833, according to the account of his death the above is as far as I understood or can recollect at this time, She is very infirm.

Sworn & subscribed before me this third day of March 1838,

S/ L. Harris, JP

S/ William Taylor, X his mark

[certificate of Green Davis and Eli Coggin, neighbors as to the veracity and reputation of Ann Taylor

and William Taylor.]

The ages of the two youngest Children of Edward Taylor & Ann his wife Nancy & Polly Twins were born the 2nd day of February 1803.

This is to Certify, that Edward Taylor has faithfully Served out his Tour of Duty of three Months, and General Lillington's Brigade, to the Southward.

Charlestown, March 1780

S/ Frederick Hambright, L. Col.

[Bible record in the file:

Susanna Taylor the Daughter of Edward & Anna his wife was Borne August [day obliterated, could be 2nd 1777]

Sarah Taylor the Daughter of the aforesaid Edward Taylor an [sic] Anna his wife was Born fabuary [sic] 10th 1784

John Taylor the Son of the aforesaid Edward Taylor an Anna his wife was Born November the ___ [blank in original] 1784

Butler Ston Street Taylor the son of the aforesaid Edward Taylor an Anna his wife was Born September [date obliterated]

Edward Taylor the Son of the aforesaid Edward Taylor and Anna his wife was Born August the 26 1788

James Taylor Son of the aforesaid Edward Taylor an Anna his wife was Born December the 4—1790

Elizabeth Taylor Daughter of the aforesaid Edward Taylor and Anna his wife was Born August the 17 1794]