

Pension Application for Edward Decoine or Decoin

W.10314 (Widow: Elizabeth Scoles, married Edward May 11th 1822. Edward died in 1843.) Also a woman named Sarah claimed to be Edward's wife.

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State of North Carolina

County of Buncombe SS.

On this twelfth day of January 1828, personally appeared in Open Court, being a Court of record for the County aforesaid, Edward Decoine, resident in said County aged Seventy One years. Who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818, and the 1st May 1820; and that he the said Edward DeCoine enlisted for the term of the War, same day in the month of July in the year 1779, in the State of New York in the 2d Troop of Cavalry Commanded by Captain John Rudolph in the Partisan Legion Cavalry then commanded by Maj'r Henry Lee, afterward Lt. Col. Henry Lee of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment, that he continued to serve in said Legion; that he was transferred from the Cavalry to the Infantry of said Legion commanded by said Col Henry lee and promoted to Serg't Major in which capacity he continued until the army of the Southern department commanded by Gen'l Nathaniel Greene was disbanded in the State of South Carolina.

That he was in the action at the UTAW Spring together, with a number of other engagements against the Common Enemy of similar magnitude.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That he does not know where his name may be enrolled.

And the following are the reasons why he did not make earlier application.

1st he heard of applicants receiving their pensions who were not so much entitled to them as himself.

2nd That the various Act of Congress, he was not; nor is he yet, acquainted with.

3rd That such was his confidence I the Faith of that government for which he fought to establish—That if he was entitled to relief from it in 1818 or any other years the Government would not hesitate of say he was, and is entitled to such relief from the passing of such act, at any subsequent period that application should be made, and that no act of limitation would be plead—As to the act of 1st May 1820, I nothing of.—But this I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818—

And that I have not since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof, with intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled an Act "to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War." Passed on the 18th March 1818. And that I have not nor has nay person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any property other than what is contained in a schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

That the changes made in my property since 18th March 1818, are from being poor to an ebb of adversity. (Signed) Edw'd DeCoine

Sworn to and declared on the 12 day of January 1828 before Jno Miller Clk