



Original Claim

1756

Declaration in order to be placed on the Pension  
List under the Act of the 18th March 1815

State of Tennessee

Greene County On the 28th day of  
October in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred & twenty nine Personally appeared  
in open Court being a Court of record, to wit the  
Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County  
aforesaid Michael Edleman resident in said  
County aged seventy four years, who being  
first 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 1815 and the first of May  
1820, That he the said Michael Edleman enlisted  
for the Term of Three years sometime in the  
month of March in the year of our Lord one  
thousand seven hundred & seventy seven  
in the State of Maryland in the Company comman-  
ded by Captain John Smith in the Regiment  
Commanded by General Abner Williams & Col  
Ford in the Line of the State of Maryland, on  
the Continental Establishment; that he continued  
to serve in said corps until said three years ex-  
pired, when he was discharged from the service



(2)  
in the State of New Jersey near Morristown —  
That he hereby relinquishes every claim, whatever, to a pen-  
sion except the present, that his name is not  
on the Roll of any State as a pensioner and that  
the following is the reason for not making earlier ap-  
plication for a pension, he lived in an obscure  
remote corner of the Country where persons of compe-  
tent Skill could not be procured, that he knew of  
to make a declaration so necessary to obtain a pension.  
And in pursuance of the <sup>act of</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820. I do solemn-  
ly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United  
States on the 18th March 1818, and that I have not  
since that time by gift sale or in any manner dis-  
posed of my property or any part thereof with  
intent thereby to diminish it, as to bind 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 day of  
March 1818 & that I have not nor has any person  
in trust for me any property or securities contracts  
or debts due to me, nor have I any income other  
than what is contained in the Schedule here an-  
nexed and by me subscribed — That since the  
18th day of March 1818. I have been compelled to  
sell & dispose all my personal property to wit horse  
cattle & hogs & farming utensils, to pay Doctor  
Bills having lost ~~three~~ by death 3 children







(4) \* Description of property. Names of purchaser, time of sale, amt in mon by rec<sup>d</sup> or descrip<sup>n</sup> tion of property rec<sup>d</sup> in return

1 Steer sold.	Eljah Batch	10th Oct 1823.	\$8.00 cash
1 cow. do	Paul Whiskell	do	8.00 "
1 do do	Robt Malony	do	10.25 "
1 do do	Gas Bortain	do	9.00 "
1 do do	Sam <sup>r</sup> Wilson	do	6.00 "
1 do & calf do	Wilson	do	10.00 "
1 Bull. do	John Guin	do	10.00 "
2 calves do	Joseph Ryan	do	2.00 "
2 plows sold to Burns the other do for [unclear]	do	do	8.00 "
1 Horse to	John Guin	do	30.00 "
1 Horse cloth to	Erns Park.	do	35.00 "
2 Hogs	Stephen Alexander	do	128.25
The above is all the changes made in my property since 1818.			6.50
18th March as stated according to my best recollection - the whole of which amt. was appropriated to the payment of the Doctors Bill except about \$10.			8.00 error
			142.75

Schedule of <sup>all</sup> the property I have now on hand or the use of in any manner whatever two hundred Acres of Land generally of the very poorest quality, and almost all the cleared land perfectly exhausted - Michael Edleman & two suits of wearing clothes.