

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Mapes (Mapes) VAS545

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

War Department  
Bounty Land Office  
June 13<sup>th</sup> 1831

I certify that, it appears from the records in this office, that Land Warrant No. 13.529 4 100 acres issued on the 26 April 1792 in the name of John Mapes, for his services as a Private in Lee's Legion in the War of the Revolution.

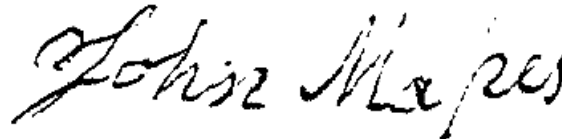
S/ Wm Gordon, First Clerk

State of New Jersey County of Gloucester SS

I John Mapes (or Maypes) aged eighty years do upon solemn affirmation testify and declare that in the year 1778, I enlisted for the term of "during the War" and served in Regiment No. \_\_ Under the command of Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] of the Virginia Line, and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the said Regiment commanded by Colonel Lee. – I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the State of Virginia nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever.

Therefore – Know all men by these presents that I John Mapes, or Maypes, aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Cornel Joseph Watson of Washington City, to be my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the proper office of the State of Virginia the warrants due me for service to the end of the War in Lees Legion. –

S/ John Mapes



State of New Jersey Gloucester County SS

On the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1830 before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Gloucester – Personally came James B Cooper<sup>1</sup> who being duly affirmed according to law upon his solemn affirmation saith – that he is a commissioned Officer in the Navy of the United States and served in Lee's Legion of the Virginia Line during the Revolutionary War. And was personally acquainted with John Mapes a Soldier in the first troops of said Legion, who served until the Piece of 1783 and was regularly discharged in the State of South Carolina at the close of the

<sup>1</sup> FPA S47185

war – And this affiant further states that after the War, he this affirmant finding that a number of persons were of the name of James Cooper, he this affirmant assumed the letter B in the middle of his name for a distinction. And that he has ever since been known, called & distinguished by the name of James B Cooper.

S/ Jas. B. Cooper

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jas B Cooper". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Jas. B. Cooper".