

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Moughon VAS778

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

Report on the claim of George Moughon – Seaman, or boatswain in the State Navy, for bounty land for his services

To the Governor

Sir,

George Moughon was a Seaman in the State Navy. He received (by Captain Saunders) a certificate for £76.3.1, the balance of his full pay &c, November 27, 1783. (See Army Register of the State line.) I have not seen any proof, that he was boatswain. On all the list of men of the *Dragon* (to which vessel he belonged) he is noted [?] as Seaman, on the Army Register he appears to have been a Seaman.

Two affidavits have been filed with the Petition of the claimants. They prove that George Moughon was a Seaman in the State Navy, in the war of the Revolution – (see the affidavits of Elizabeth Sadler & Josiah Pugh).

It appears, that 100 acres of land have been allowed for the services of George Moughon, as Seaman, in the State Navy.

Respectfully submitted

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Mathews County to wit

This day personally appeared before me Edmund Jones a Justice of the peace for the said County Elizabeth Sadler who was Elizabeth Moughon and made oath that she has always been informed by her uncle George Moughon, her father John Moughon, her uncle John Nuttal who was also said to be a Garner in the Navy of Virginia and many others that the said George Moughon was in the said Navy and was in a boat belonging to the Ship *Dragon* upon a look out which boat at the time was conducted by Lieutenant Joshua Singleton¹ an officer of the Ship that they were taken prisoners of war and carried by the enemy to the West in these and was not liberated until after the ratification of the treaty of peace that her said uncle George died in the County aforesaid about the year 1815 having made and published his last will and testament. Said George was boatswain on the said Ship when taken, given under my hand & seal this 8th day of July 1835.

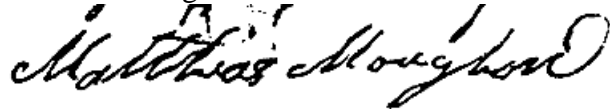
S/ Edward Jones, JP

¹ [Joshua Singleton S7510](#)

To his Excellency Littleton W Tazewell Governor of Virginia

The Memorial of Mathias Moughon and Elizabeth his wife who was formally the wife of George Moughon also George H Moughon and William in Moughon children of the said George sheweth that they have always been informed by the said George Moughon in his lifetime and by all others who was most likely to be informed on the subject that he belonged to the Virginia Navy during the Revolutionary War that he lastly was attached to the ship *Dragon* Captain Markham that he was the Boatswain of said ship that he was in a boat with Lieutenant Joshua Singleton an officer of that ship to look out for the enemy and was captured by the enemy and carried off as prisoners of war to Bermuda and was not liberated until after peace so it is he did not return to this country his place of residence at that time until sometime after peace and where he resided to the time of his death which event took place about the __ day of __ 1815 – and which is the place of residence of right of all the parties but at that time George H Moughon is residing in the County of Gloucester and William H Moughon has been to see for several years without returning home your memorialists from length of time does not recollect at what period of the war they were informed that the said George enlisted in the Navy or the time he was taken a prisoner of war but they have always heard it said and believes it to be so that they have never heard it contradicted or doubted. In testimony whereof the said Mathias Moughon in right of his said wife and George H Moughon

S/ Mathias Moughon

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mathias Moughon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, decorative initial "M" at the beginning.