

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

James Maben (Mabon, Maven)
B. L. Wt. 12-300

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Capt. James Maben
Claim Mil. Ld.
Issued Wt. No. 12

Lodged [?] by Capt.
John Davidson

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Know all men present that I James Lyle of the Town of Manchester in the County of Chesterfield & State of Virginia, by virtue of a Power of Attorney by Andrew Maben or Maven, only brother german now in life and nearest of kin to the deceased Captain James Maben¹ or Maven constituting and appointing me his Attorney & Factor as will more fully appear by the copy hereunto annexed. Do hereby constitute and appoint John Davidson of the City of Washington my Agent or Attorney to procure from the Secretary of War or other Officer or Officers of the General Government a Patent for the proportion of Land allotted allotted to James Maben or Maven late a Captain in the Army of the United States, in the name of the said Andrew Maben or Maven heir and Legal Representative of the said deceased James Maben or Maven. And to do all lawful acts requisite for effecting the premises –
Hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said Attorney shall do therein by virtue hereof

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of February 1802 ~

James Lyle {seal}

Sealed & delivered
in presence of
Arch'd Blair
John Smith

[Notarized by Archibald Blair in Richmond Va. Feb. 23, 1802]

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[Transcribers note: The file contains a copy of the above-mentioned power of attorney to James Lyle. Only the beginning and end are transcribed. The omitted part recites in detail the duties and rights delegated by power of attorney]

“Andrew Maben or Maven weaver in Pitlessie in the parish of Cults and Shire of Fife in that part of Great Britain called Scotland only Brother German now in life & nearest of Kin to the deceased Captain James

¹ The file for William Perry R5515 states that he served under Captain James Mabon in the 2nd Virginia Regiment. The file also contains an annotation (apparently by an employee who worked with the files) that James Mabon was ‘Lieutenant to Capt. [John] Stokes of the 2nd Va. Regt.’ John Stokes [B L Wt. 526-300] lost a hand at Waxhaws (Buford’s Defeat) in SC. James Maben could have succeeded him as captain.

Maben or Maven of the State of Virginia formerly Stone mason or brick layer there. Judging it necessary to grant the power under written and having full & entire confidence in the fidelity & integrity of the person after named for executing the same Have therefore made constituted & appointed and by these presents Do make ordain constitute and appoint Mr. James Lyle of the Town of Manchester in the County of Chesterfield & State of Virginia merchant my true & lawful Attorney & Factor & in my name & for my use & behoof to oath demand, sue for, recover & receive from all and every person or persons whom it doth, or may concern all such sum or sums of money debts demands goods chattles means & effects whatsoever real or personal which pertained or belonged or which were due & owing to the said deceased Captain Maven or Mabon my brother german at the time of his decease in any manner or way by any person or persons whatsoever ~”

‘... providing and declaring always as it is hereby provided and declared that my said Attorney shall be bound and obliged, as by acceptation hereof he binds & obliges himself to make due compt [?] reconing [sic] and payment to me of all his intromissions [?] in virtue of these presents which are to subsist until recalled by a writing under my hand after a deduction of all his necessary charges & expenses and a suitable gratification for his own trouble; In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal at Edinburg this sixteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty eight years

Andrew Maben {seal}

Signed & sealed being first duly stamped
in presence of Joseph Blackie
David Lister

[Certified by John Grieve Provost on Jan. 16, 1788]

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We subscribers residing in the parish of Cults & Kettle in the Shire of Fife in that part of Great Britain called Scotland
Do hereby certify and declare that we had occassion, one and all of us to be well acquainted with the now deceased James Maben or Maven who was brother german of the within named & designed Andrew Maben or Maven in Pitlessie in the said Parish of Cults and Shire of Fife – that after he left Fife which was some time before the American War broke out he went to Midlothian [?] in the Shire of Edinburgh & wrought some time as a Stone Mason or Brick layer and from thence he went to Virginia where he entered into and served in the Military Service of America during the war as a Captain or some other Officer in the american service & died there as we are credibly informed within those few years. and that said Andrew Maben or Maven his brother german is still in life. In testimony whereof we have here unto set our hands & seals this Twenty second day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty eight

David Sim {seal} William Burrell {seal}
David Smith {seal} David Set {seal}

Signed & sealed being first { }
duly stamped in presence of
John Burrell James Mitchell

[All of the above certified as true copies by Archibald Blair notary public for the city of Richmond Virginia on February 20, 1802]

The [Virginia State Library](#) online digital collection contains the following documents relating to this veteran:

I do hereby certify that James Mabin in the service of the United States in the 6th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment early in the spring of the year 1776 and was there after promoted to the Rank

of Captain in which capacity he continued to the end of the late War with Great Britain. Given under my hand this 13th day of April 1807

Teste:

Wm Mann

S/ Peter F. Archer [Peter Fields Archer]²
late Lieutenant
in the 2 Virginia Regt.

I do hereby certify that James Mabon entered the service of the United States in the sixth Virginia Regiment on continental establishment early in the spring of the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six and was thereafter promoted to the Rank of a Captain in which capacity he continued to the end of the late War with Great Britain. Given under my hand this 13th day of April 1807 - Peter F. Archer
Teste
Wm Mann
late Lieutenant
in the 2 Virginia Regt.

I certify as above. Given under my hand this 13 day April 1807

S/ W. Bentley [?] [William Bentley?], Capt. 5th
V. ?, Revolu^y War

I do certify that I solve James Mabon acting as Sargeant in Captain John Gregory's company of the 6th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment about the 1st of March 1776 and was promoted thereafter to the Rank of Captain - Given under my hand this 1st May 1807

S/ John Bell, late
Lieut. 6 Virg^a Regt.

Teste

S/ Matthew W. Shields

Richd H. Bell

² [Peter Field Archer BLWt300-200](#)

I certify as above. Given under
my hand this 13 day of April 1807.

Wm Lightfoot Capt. 5th
S. (Per: Marshal) War

I do certify that I saw James Mabon acting as
Sergeant in Captain John Gregory's company of the
Sixth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment
about the first of March, seventeen hundred and
seventy six, and was promoted thereafter to the Rank
of a Captain - Given under my hand this 30th

May 1807

Teste

Matthew M. Hatch

Rich. H. Bell

John Smelly late
Lieut. 6th Regt

I do hereby certify that James Mabon was in the service of the United States, in the 6th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment in the month of February 1776, that the said Mabon was promoted to the Rank of Captain -

Teste:

S/ William Lightfoot

S/ Thomas Smelly

Given under my hand this 30 May 1807

S/ Josiah Parker

late Colo. 5th Regt.

I do hereby certify that James Mabon was in the
service of the United States, in the Sixth Virginia
Regiment on Continental Establishment, in the month
of February 1776, that the said Mabon was promoted
to the Rank of Captain -

Teste:

William Lightfoot

Thomas Smelly

Given under my hand this 30 May 1807

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