

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Maupin S13851

VA

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State of Virginia

At a Court held for Albemarle County the 2^d day of October 1832

On this second day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of said County Court and now sitting – William Maupin aged seventy three years on the 19th day of next November, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in the County of Albemarle and State of Virginia on 19th November 1759 and has lived there ever since except when about in the services during the Revolution. That he served four tours of duty in the militia during the Revolution on his own account. The first tour he marched about the year 1778 [sic] under Cap Michael Wallace – he marched from said county and served a tour of two months as a guard at the Albemarle Barracks where Burgoyne's army [captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777] were prisoners [Jan 1779 - Feb 1781], he was discharged verbally. The next tour under Capt. Jno Miller [John Miller] about the year 1779 and marched from said county to Richmond and thence in various directions below Richmond where he was under the command of General [Thomas] Nelson. He recollects the names of Colonels Lindsay, Matthews & Innis & Richardson [sic: Reuben Lindsay, Sampson Mathews, James Innes, and Holt Richeson]; he served two months this tour – He marched again about 1779 or 1780 under Capt Jno Harris [John Harris], and marched to Williamsburg and was stationed some time at the half way house [between Williamsburg and Yorktown]. this tour was in the year 1780 and after serving two months he was again verbally discharged. He marched three times in the militia as a substitute once for Jno Brown [John Brown], next for Daniel Maupin and next for John Maupin a tour of two months each during the years 1780 and 1781. He was at the siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and served one of the said tours under Capt. Jno Miller the same under whom he served before, once under Capt. Henry Burk [sic: Henry Burke], and under Capt. Wm Dawson [William Dawson], he does not recollect the Captains name during one tour. He was in the battle of Jamestown [Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] under General [Anthony] Wayne where the Americans were defeated — after the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] he marched with the prisoners to Nolands Ferry on the Potowmac [sic: Potomac River] where he was again discharged and came home. He has a family register of his birth at home. He has no documents on paper but refers to the statements of Daniel Maupin [pension application S5733] and Cornelius Maupin [R7041] as proof of his services – that he was in the service fourteen months in all.

He would state a Circumstance which ocured when he was in service – The American Camp being 5 or 6 miles from the Enemy, there were 90 to 100 head of cattle belonging to the Enemy on an Island between the two camps, being informed of it, Major [William] Boyce gave the troops leave to volunteer in order to retake the Cattle, about 100 volunteered, he being one of the number.

we marched to the Island & succeeded in recapturing the said cattle and bringing them to the American Camp. As to his service he refers to the statements of Daniel Maupin & Cornelius Maupin.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid William Maupin

Thereupon the following interrogatories were propounded to the applicant by the court

1 Where and in what year were you born?

A I was born in the County of Albemarle State of Virginia in 1759

2 Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A I have a record of my age in my family Bible at home

3 Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war &

where do you now live?

- A When called into service I lived in Albemarle County Virginia, where I continued to live since the Revolution & where I now live.
- 4 How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute for whom?
- A. I was drafted on my own account, and served three tours as a substitute, once for Jno Brown once for Dan'l Maupin and once for Jno Maupin.
- 5 State the names of some of the Regular officers, who were with the troops where you served; such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect, and the General circumstances of your service.
- A. Capt Michael Wallace, Capt. Jno Miller, Gen'l Nelson, Colo. Lindsay, Colo. Matthew, Colo Innis Colo Richardson Capt. Jno Harris Capt Henry Burk & Capt Wm Dawson.
- 6 Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given & what has become of it

A I was verbally discharged

Daniel Maupin being sworn says that he knows of four tours positively as stated by the applicant in his own account and three tours as a substitute as stated in his declaration. Cornelius Maupin being also sworn says that he knows of four tours positively as stated by the applicant in his own account and three tours as a substitute as stated in his declaration.

Va. Albemarle County, Sc. [1 May 1833]

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace for said county, William Maupin, who being duly sworn, deposed and saith, that by reason of old age, & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades.

For two months he served as a private being drafted in the militia, he thinks, about August 1778 & having served the tour at the Albemarle barracks, was discharged at the end of the draft.

For two months he served as a private being drafted in the militia he thinks in the month of [blank] of the year 1779 and was discharged at the end of the draft.

For two months he served as a private, being drafted in 1780, month not recollected, in the militia – was marched from Albemarle to Richmond – from thence to York & Williamsburg & was marched to & fro in that section of Virginia, & finally to Richmond, where he was discharged. This tour was performed under Capt. William Dalton – the names of the Lieutenant & ensign not recollected – he recollects during this tour the name of Col Reuben Lindsay, Col. Richardson & Col. Innis, though he is not certain by what field officers he was commanded, or to what regiment he was attached. This is the third of four tours mention in his declaration, & is the tour mentioned by mistakes, as having been served under Capt. Jno. Harris, which tour under Harris was the last of the four tours he served in his own stead.

For two months he served as a private, being drafted in the militia in the winter of 1781 – was marched to Richmond thence to Williamsburg, & was stationed for some time at what was called the Halfway house in the vicinity of Yorktown – he was commanded during this tour by Capt. Jno. Harris, Lieut. Wm James [William James] & he thinks Ensign Sam'l. Murrell [Samuel Murrell W3031]

For six months he served as a private; having substituted himself, & performed three several tours of two months each. These tours were performed in 1780 & 1781 – and for such service I claim a pension

Albemarle county (Sett)

This day Daniel Maupin appeared before me a justice of the peace for sd county, who made oath, that he employed William Maupin to serve as a substitute for him in the year 1779 or 1780 which was a draft for a two months tour, and that he served out that tour for him, and that he served two tours in the year 1781 and has understood he served other tours in that year Given under my hand and seal this 16th day of March 1833

Benj'n Ficklen

albemarle county State of Virginia Sct.

John Brown this day personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said county – being aged eighty years, and on his oath doth say, that in the year 1781 during the revolution, he being drafted as a militia man, obtained William Maupin as his substitue, who served in his place a tour of two months in the Virginia Militia – under John Miller (Capt) in the year 1781 and served at the seige of York

Given under my hand this 16th day of March 1833 Benj'n Ficklen J.P.

[On 5 Sep 1833 by Rev. Benjamin Ficklen, Ira Harris, Thomas Harris, Sr, and Daniel Maupin certified William Maupin's service.]