

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Magill S31230

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State of Kentucky Franklin County: On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1832 John Magill Senior a revolutionary Soldier came into open court it being a County Court for the County of Franklin and made oath to the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the late act of Congress for the Relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war passed the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1832 – I John Magill Senior being first sworn declare that I am at this time a resident citizen of ~~Anderson~~<sup>Franklin</sup> County Kentucky and have been since about <sup>the year 1795</sup> formation as a County previous to which time.

I was a resident Citizen of Virginia Augusta County during the revolutionary war and I am now in the 73<sup>rd</sup> year of my age and that I did on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1777 volunteer in the Militia service of Virginia at Staunton in said State and Captain George Moffitt's Company Colonel John Dickinson's Regiment and was marched to the mouth of the Great Kenhawa [Kanawha River] against the Wyandot Indians upon a three months Tour of duty which I faithfully served and was honorably discharged, and again on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 1780 I was called into the Militia service of Virginia near Staunton in Captain James Tate's Company Major Triplett's ~~Regiment~~<sup>Battalion</sup> for three months and marched to Hillsboro North Carolina to the relief of General Gates and from thence joined General Morgan near Camden and faithfully performed my duty as a Soldier in the Militia of Virginia [2 or more indecipherable words]<sup>1</sup> in the Revolutionary War in the whole a little upwards of [indecipherable word]<sup>2</sup> months and was honorably discharged – which discharges I have long since lost or mislaid. I further declare that I hereby relinquish all claim that I have to any pension or annuity from the United States except the present, and I am not now a Pensioner of the United States or of any State. – Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832

S/ John Magill

[William Hickman, Junior, a clergyman and James Taylor & James Russell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Questions put to the applicant by the Court

Where and in what year were you born. I was born in Augusta County Virginia in the year 1759. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it. Ans. I have no record of my age at this time. It has been lost or mislaid. – Where were you living when called into the service, where

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have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live. Ans. I lived in Augusta County & State of Virginia I left Augusta County until 1782 I then came to the state of Kentucky and resided in Lincoln County Kentucky and lived there until 1787. I then moved to Fayette County Kentucky. I lived resided there two years, then to Bourbon County Kentucky where I lived until 1795. I then moved to Franklin County Kentucky where I have ever since and now reside. – How were you called into to the service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom. I volunteered for the first tour and I was drafted the second. 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. I recollect General Morgan, General Smallwood, Colonel Howard, Colonel William Washington a commander of the Light horse troops – Captain Andrew Wallace. I also recollect General Greene and General Gates was with us a short time. I do not recollect the names by which the Regiments were designated – the General Circumstances of my services are substantially detailed in my declaration. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it signed and what has become of it. Ans. I never received a written discharge – State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood where you reside and who can testify as to your character for veracity and good behavior and their belief of your services as a Soldier of the revolution. I stated the names of William Hickman Junior, James Taylor and James Russell.  
Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ John Magill

Mercer County Sct.: this day John McKitterick<sup>3</sup> and Richard Holman Senior<sup>4</sup> came before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and made oath as follows viz. We the undersigned State on oath that we are well acquainted with John Magill Senior and we know that he served in the Militia of Virginia as he has stated and we have known him ever since and consider him as an honest good citizen. John McKitterick well remembers of being a messmate of John Magill in Captain George Moffitt's Company on 8 Tower [tour] of 3 months 1777 and I also well remember of being a messmate of John Magill in another campaign on a tower of 4 months in the year 1780 and 1781 in Captain James Tate's Company and served 4 months – and that I Richard Holman well and remember of being in the same Battalion with John Magill in Carolina under General Morgan in the 1780 & 1781. As witness our hands this July 20<sup>th</sup> 1832.

S/ John McKettrick, Jr.

S/ Richard Holman

*John McKitterick*  
*Richard Holman*

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the Virginia militia.]

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<sup>3</sup> John McKittrick or McKittrick FPA S13647

<sup>4</sup> FPA S31133