

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Michael McCann S34993

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State of Maryland Frederick County towit

On the eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen before me the subscriber one of the associate Judges of the fifth Judicial district of said State composed of the counties of Frederick Washington and Allegany personally appeared Michael McCann of said county and being duly sworn on the holy evangely of almighty God deposeth and declareth that he was enlisted in Hartford [sic: Harford] county of said State about the 7<sup>th</sup> of June in the year 1777 by captain [Robert] Harris belonging to the sixth Maryland Regiment in the Continental army – that he was first enlisted for three years, but the year following he enlisted during the war, and served untill peace was proclaimed. That from Hartford he was marched to Baltimore – then to Philadelphia – that after some time and at some distance from Philadelphia the company he was in joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel [Otho Holland] Williams – That he was at the battle at Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] – and was wintered in Wilmington – then he was marched to White Plains where the troops were good part of the summer[?], and wintered again near Middlebrook – that himself and the Maryland troops were marched to Carolina and were under the command of Gen'l. Gates [Horatio Gates, beginning 13 June 1780], afterwards Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, beginning 3 Dec 1780] commanded the troops to which he belonged untill the end of the war – that he was brought from James Island [South Carolina] to Annapolis on board of a ship from whence he returned home having served from June 1777 to the end of the war in the service of the United States – that he has lost all his military papers and from his extreme age his memory in some respects fails him so much that he can offer no further evidence – that from his reduced circumstances he needs the support of his country – and further declareth not.

All which I hereby certify and transmit to his excellency the Secretary of the department of war – In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year above written

Ab[raha]m Shriver

I hereby relinquish all my claim to any and every pension heretofore allowed me by the Laws of the United States Witness my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818

Michael hisXmark McCann

I hereby certify that Michael McCann was a soldier in the sixth Maryland Regiment in the war of the revolution, and to the best of my recollection he served to the end of the said war. He represents himself to be upwards of ninety years of age and I well know that for many years he has been in very indigent circumstances.

Given under my Hand this sixth day of april in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen.

John E. Howard [John Eager Howard] Lieut. Colo. Maryland line in the war of the Revolution

Maryland Frederick County Sct

On this 2<sup>d</sup> day of July 1821 personally appeared in open court, being a court of Record for Frederick County (expressly made so by the laws of the State aforesaid, proceeding according to the course of the common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of its proceedings and having the power of fine & imprisonment) Michael McCann aged Eighty two years, resident in said county, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. In Captain Harris's Company of Infantry in the sixth Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Williams that he applied for a pension and obtained a certificate number 2974. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions

of an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States, in the revolutionary war," passed the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule

No property of any kind

Michael hisXmark McCann

NOTE: A summary in the file states that McCann died 4 May 1827.