

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Maines (Mains) S36080

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Kentucky Bracken County Sct.

Before me the Subscriber presiding Justice of the Peace for said County, this day in open Court personally appeared George Maines a citizen of Bracken County aged seventy years and being sworn makes the following statement in order to obtain the benefit of the act of the late Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War." That the said George Maines enlisted in the year 1777 in the County of Fayette State of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain Henry Heath [Henry Heth] of Winchester Virginia for the term of three years; that he continued to serve in the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Regiments a part of the time under Colonel Gibson [probably John Gibson], but in which of those Regiments he enlisted originally he cannot now tell, that he was under the command of General Hand [Edward Hand] but & General Broadhead – that while under the command of General Hand he went with a detachment against the Indians at Cuyahoga that he was finally discharged in the year 1780 in Pittsburgh after serving three years & fourteen days – that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for a support and that he never has received any pension from the United States – Sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> of August 1818.

S/ Wm Field, Presiding JP

Peter Harefield came also into Court & being sworn declared the facts stated above of the enlistment in the service of the United States & discharge of said Maines to be true, that he was well acquainted with said Maines at the time & has been ever since –;

Thomas Brashears being also sworn states that he was acquainted with said Maines at Pittsburgh while he Maines was in the Service of the United States –

William Logan Esquire Deputy Sheriff was sworn to answer questions relative to the circumstances of said Maines, from which and the foregoing evidence that the said Maines did serve nine months during the Revolutionary war in the service of the United States against the common enemy & that he is so reduced in his circumstances as to require the assistance of his country for a support – Given under my hand this 6<sup>th</sup> August 1818

S/ Wm Field

1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District of Kentucky Mason County: SS

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1821 before me Wm Duff the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and state aforesaid personally appeared here Harfield and James McGill<sup>1</sup> both credible and disinterested witnesses who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on

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<sup>1</sup> FPA W8428

their oath declare that they and each of them are, and have been for a number of years well acquainted with the identical and aforesaid George Maines and know him to have enlisted for the term of three years in the month of April in the year 1777 in Fayette County in the state [of] Pennsylvania, in the company commanded by Captain Henry Heath of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Gibson; being they think the 13<sup>th</sup> in the line of the State of Virginia, and on Continental establishment; and that day, the said Peter Harfield and James McGill know him the said George Maines to have served in the said Corps until the spring of 1780 when he was discharged from service in Pittsburgh PA and that they verily believe him the said George Maines to have been in the battle of Big Beaver against the Indians and in many skirmishes.

S/ Peter Harfield, X his mark

S/ James McGill, X his mark

Mason County Court in the 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District of Kentucky: SS

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 1822 personally appeared in open court, (being a court of record for the County aforesaid expressly made so by the laws of the state which created it and having the power of fine and imprisonment) George Maines aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820, that he the said George Maines enlisted for the term of three years in the month of April in the year 1777 in Fayette County in the State of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain Henry Heath of the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Gibson, being to the best of his recollection the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States for 3 years and 14 days, when in the spring of 1780, he was discharged from the said service in Pittsburgh in the State of Pennsylvania, that he was in the battle of Big Beaver and in several skirmishes, and that he has no other evidence in his power of his said services except the testimony of Peter Harfield and James McGill to his original declaration of the 6<sup>th</sup> of August 1818. And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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

Land, I have none, I have one mare and colt worth	\$25.00
one other old mare maimed worth nothing but say	1.00
2 cows & calves & heifer worth the whole	27.00
5 head of sheep worth on an average one dollar	5.00
18 hogs, 4 sows & 14 gruntlings all worth	13.00
One Shear plow worth \$2 one shovel plow \$2	4.00
Two old broken hoes worth both	1.00
one Mattox worth one dollar 2 old axes	
hardly worth anything say a dollar	
One old fire shovel 1/6	2.25

Old and irons 125 cents three chains 50 cts ea.	
One old log chain 150 cts one good spinning wheel & one old do worth \$3	7.25
Two old tables 50 cts ea One platter \$1	2.00
Two dishes one of them cracked both worth 50 cents	.50
7 plates 12 ½ cts ea: 6 knives & forks worth \$1	1.87 ½
One oven \$2 One Kettle \$2 1 Ca do 175 cts	5.75
One frying pan 175 cts a few old Cooper's tools worth \$6	7.75
Some fowls, can't tell exactly how [?], worth perhaps	4.00
This is all	<u>\$108.87 ½</u>

I owe altogether about \$44. I have owing to me Ninety Six and a half dollars – I have no income whatever either public or private. I have an old wife living with me aged about sixty-four years diseased in her right hip, no other person living with me but and afflicted daughter aged 15 years, and an idiot from her childhood: consequently an entire trouble and expense and no sort of profit. I am myself as I am stated before seventy-two years of age, am afflicted with palsy, am shortsighted and otherwise diseased by being shot at a deer lick with a rifle ball passing through my body entering my left side and coming out at my right breast I have no trade that I am able to follow, I was formerly a [indecipherable word]<sup>2</sup> of a cooper, entirely self-taught, having never served an apprenticeship to any trade, and am now from my infirmities as may correctly be supposed but illy able to bear fatigue, even at the lightest work.

S/ Geo: Maines, X his mark

State of Kentucky Mason County Sct.

This day before the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County, personally appeared Joshua York<sup>3</sup> and made oath that in the year 1780 at Pittsburgh he saw and was acquainted with George Maines of Bracken County Kentucky, that at that time the said George Maines was a soldier in the service of the United States in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Gibson but the number of the Regiment he does not recollect that the said Joshua York was himself a Soldier in the service of the United States & has obtained a pension certificate upon proof of his services & further saith not.

[Attested September 22, 1825]

S/ Joshua York



[Facts in file: Veteran filed yet another application in 1824 which I elected not to transcribe. The only other family members of the veteran named in the file are his sons Levi and Philip, their ages not stated.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 16, 1828, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

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<sup>3</sup> FPA S36864