

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Matthews S38179

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Commonwealth of Virginia SS

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court for the said Commonwealth personally appeared Geo. Mathews [sic] – aged fifty-seven years, resident in Accomack County in the said Commonwealth, who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late 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. "That he the said George Mathews enlisted in the County of Accomack in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Sansum [Philip Sansum?] in July 1780 of the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Campbell. That he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the Service of the United States until the year 1781 when he was discharged from the service in December in the state of South Carolina – that he was in the battles of Guilford Court house [March 15, 1781], of Cambden [sic, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battle of Camden also known as the Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], of Ninety Six [Siege during the months of May and June 1781] & Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] – and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services." Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Geo. Parker

Commonwealth of Virginia Accomack County to wit

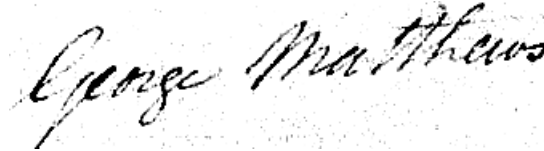
On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record (the said Court proceeding according to the course of the Common law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of Amount and keeping a Record of its proceedings and having the power of fine & imprisonment) George Mathews aged 58 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary [war] as follows. That he the said George enlisted as Soldier to serve eighteen months in a Company commanded by Captain Phillip Sansom of the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment commanded by Colonel Arthur Campbell and that he served the said eighteen months . A pension has heretofore been granted him under the act of Congress passed the 18th day of March 1818 the certificate of which is numbered 11138 and that he made his declaration before George Parker Judge of the Court of Law of Accomack County on the 29th Day of October 1818 which was his original application. And he also solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to

bring himself 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 he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed. The said George further states on Oath that his family consist of himself, his wife two daughters, a son and a small hired boy. That he has no trade and is so feeble and in a deep Consumption of the lungs that he can do no work his wife is named Esther is about fifty years of age and is sickly, one of his daughters is called Mahala & is about 15 years of age and is sickly his other daughter is called Rosey and is about 9 years old and is sickly and his son is named Riley is about 7 years old and is sickly and the hired Boy aforesaid is named Curtis Vessells and is about 16 years of age and is healthy – He the said George rents a farm of about 20 or 25 acres of Poor land which he endeavors to cultivate with his children and the hired Boy aforesaid all the property in his possession except what is mentioned in the Schedule aforesaid he has had loaned to him from motives of charity. It is ordered to be certified that it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$11.00.

"A Schedule of George Mathews property August 29<sup>th</sup> 1820

1 Mare	\$9.00
2 Barrels	2.00
	\$11.00

S/ George Mathews



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 29, 1818, for service as a private for one-year in the Virginia Continental line.]