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Pension Application of Matthew Maddox S38181

VA

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To the honorable the Speaker and house of Delegates

The petition of Matthew Maddox Humbly sheweth that He was Drafted for Eighteen monthths & was joined to the Sixth Virginia redgment & was under the Command of Colo. Campbell [Richard Campbell BLWt347-450] & wound in the Leg in the Battle of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] wich renders your petitioner unable To Git his Living by his Labour with another misfortune which happened to him whilst inn the service at The yadkin river in assisting to make a raft in Great Hast from a Voilint Strain caused a rupture of the scrotum which with the misfortune of his wound perfectly compleated his misery & your petition further sheweth That he has a wife and a number of small Children Now in Distress from your petition misfortune and your petition further shiweth that he was allowed a pention which he Drew for several years – but was withheld from him since 1785 for reasons unknown To your petition but so it is that his situation is a Deplorable one at this time and hope that your Honorable body will take his Case into thier ConsiDeration and Grant him such relief as you in your wisdom shall think meet and your petitioner as In Duty bound shall Ever pary &c &c Matthew Maddox

1st Nov'r 1793 Claims

reasonable £12 pr Annum from 85

£15 henceforward

Nov'r 6 93

[From the federal pension file.]

Virginia Wood County to wit

on this 20th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record having unlimited Common Law jurisdiction and an official seal Matthew Maddox aged Sixty Eight years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820. That he the said Matthew Maddox Entered the Service of the United States in the revolutionary war in Shenandoah County in the year 1780 & in October of the same year under the Command of Capt. Oldham [Conway Oldham BLWt503-300] for the term of Eighteen Months that he was marched by the said Captain Oldham to Hillsborough in North Carolina where he joined the 3rd regiment Commanded by Colo. Campbell In General Nathaniel Greens army [sic: Southern Division under Nathanael Greene, who took command 3 Dec 1780] that he was in the battle at Guilford Court-House [15 Mar 1781] and at the battle Camden where he received a wound which after wards Disabled him from actual service that he was sent to the Hospital at Charlotte town [NC] and then after his wounds were healed apparently he was sent to the laboratory at Salisbury that being still unfit for manual labor he received a furlough and was taken home and that at the Close of the war he received a discharge from Gen'l. Mulenberg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] which discharge he placed in the hands of Colo. Jennings of Shanandoah County to procure a pension for him which has never been returned and that he knows where it is and that while in the service he received a rupture which unfits him for labour

Matthew hisXmark Maddox

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 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 person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on 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 and that I have no family residing with me except my wife who is old and very infirm & one son and that I am a farmer by occupation but am unable to follow the same

3 beds 2 cows 2 calves 2 hogs and some kitchen furniture consisting of pots Dishes &c \$117

Matthew hisXmark Maddox

NOTES:

A note on the pension certificate states that Maddox died on 1 Jan 1831.

In [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) there is a file for Matthew Maddox, but the only substantive document in it is a copy of the 1820 pension application,