

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Maddox (Mattox) S38183

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At a Court of Quarterly Sessions held for Fluvanna County on Monday the 22nd day of June 1818

This day John Maddox aged about fifty-five years resident of this County personally appeared in Court and made the following declaration on oath.

That he entered the Service of the United States as a private Soldier in the War of the Revolution in the month of January in the year 1780, that he belonged to a Company commanded by Captain Thomas Howell or Ewell [Thomas Ewell] of the second Regiment commanded by Colonel Bluford [Abraham Buford] of the Virginia line and Continental establishment, that he served as a Soldier as aforesaid until the end of the War which was upwards of three years when he got a discharge which is lost or mislaid, that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the aid of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence of his said service. And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the said John Maddox served in the Revolutionary War as aforesaid against the common Enemy for the term of three years and upwards and that he is by reason of his reduced circumstances in life in need of assistance from his Country for support and has therefore a just claim to a Pension in the manner prescribed by 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" the same is ordered to be certified to the Secretary of the Department of War.

[Certified by John Timberlake clerk of the Fluvanna County court July 31, 1818.]

State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit:

On the 25th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the said County proceeding according to the course of the common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of its proceedings and expressly made a Court of record by the laws of the said State, John Maddox aged fifty-six 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. That he entered the service of the United States as a private soldier in the War of the Revolution on or about the ___ day of January 1780 that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain Thomas Howell or Ewell in the second Regiment commanded by Colonel Buford of the Virginia line on the Continental establishment, that he served as a soldier as aforesaid until the end of the war upwards of three years and quit the service in consequence of being discharged which discharge is lost or mislaid. 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 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 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 to wit one cupboard one chest one trunk two pine tables eight chairs one pair of smoothing irons eight Plates six cups and saucers six knives and forks six tablespoons two wheels two dishes two pair of cards one Bible one testament one candlestick one lovin [?] two plows two sets of gear three hoes one coalter one handsaw one drawing knife two augers two chisels one frou one horse cart one saddle one grindstone one wheel fan one hundred and six acres of land fourteen head of cattle twenty-one sheep two horses and fifteen hogs. The said declarant states that he is by occupation a farmer and planter which he is illy able to pursue by reason of age and infirmity being afflicted with cramps and rheumatism caused as he verily believes by forced marches in the time of his revolutionary services, that his family consist of a wife aged about fifty-two years a son aged about twelve years and six daughters aged as follows one about twenty-one years another about seventeen years (afflicted with white swelling and unable to work) one about fifteen years one about ten years and the other about 6 years none of whom are able but in a very limited degree to contribute to their support. And the said declarant further states that the number of his original certificate is six thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight.

S/ John Maddox

[The court valued the property of the veteran at \$790.09.]

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the Act entitled "An act for the relief of certain Surviving officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th of May 1818, I John Maddox of the County of Fluvanna in the State of Virginia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the War and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private soldier in Captain Johnson's Company Colonel Hall's Regiment Muhlenberg's [Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade; and I also declare that I received certificates for the reward of \$80 to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th May 1778. The evidence of my services will be found on the files of the Pension office War Department – that I received a pension under the act of 1818, but was struck from the late pension list after the passage of the act of 1 May 1820 & since that time have not received any pension from the United States.

Witness my hand this 25th day of August 1828

S/ John Maddox

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Maddox". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
September 6, 1828

John Madox [sic] of ___ in the County of Fluvanna in the State of Virginia has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain Johnson's Company,

in Colonel Hall's regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
13th September 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to John Mattox [sic] in the Virginia line

It further appears that John Mattox is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—~~at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office
1828

The records of this office do not show that ___ of the ___ line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 22nd 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]