

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Skipper S39074

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State of Tennessee Maury County: June Term of the Circuit Court for the year 1826 being a Court of Record.

On this day June 30th 1826, personally appeared in open Court Nathan Skipper a resident in said County aged seventy-one 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 18th of March 1818, in the 1st of May 1820, that he the said Nathan Skipper enlisted as a private Soldier for the term of 3 years on the \_\_ day of \_\_ in the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the Company of Infantry commanded by Captain Frederick Hargett, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Armstrong in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment; – That he continued to serve in said Corps until the year 1780 his said term having expired in the State of North Carolina. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name has never been placed on the pension list; and that he never before exhibited a Schedule of his property. 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

No real estate, one colt, not fit for service, worth about \$30.

My occupation is that of a cooper. My ability to pursue my occupation is very bad, from infirmities of body & being buoyed of the means of procuring tools.

A Schedule of the property possessed by the Applicant on the 18th of March 1818 I owned & had in possession on that day one mare & one colt & one sow & pigs. I also state that I was in these battles: the battle of Brandywine, the battle of Germantown & the battle of Monmouth. I have nine children, but they have all gone forth, to provide for themselves. I live about from house to house, seeking support by my labor.

S/ Nathan Skipper, X his mark

State of North Carolina Secretary's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that the name of Nathan Skipper does not appear on the muster rolls of the Continental line of this state in the revolutionary war, yet I am of opinion he did serve as stated in his Declaration, a Warrant for land allowed him for his services in said line having issued from this Office, drawn by a Captain of said line, and sold by said Skipper to Colonel Frederick Hargett under whom he says he enlisted. Frederick Hargett stood high as an officer, as a gentleman etc.

Given under my hand this 11th of September 1826  
S/ Wm Hill

State of Tennessee Maury County: Circuit Court June Term 1827

The amended declaration of Nathan Skipper for a pension  
On this 18th day of June 1827 personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record for the County of Maury, Nathan Skipper resident in said County, aged about seventy-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following additional Declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 – and the 1st of May 1820. That the following all the reasons for not making an earlier application for a pension, – that until a short time before he made his former declaration for a pension, he had been informed and was under the impression that before he could obtain a pension – it was necessary for him to have his identity – and the fact of his having performed the service as stated in his former declaration, – and under that impression he did not make the application, as he did not know of any person in the State of Tennessee, by whom he could prove these facts, until a short time before he made his declaration, when he found a witness by whom he could prove these facts. That he immediately afterwards made application and that he is now informed that the proof which he supposed to be necessary, is not in fact necessary in order to obtain his pension – That these are the reasons why he has not made earlier application for a pension.  
S/ Nathan Skipper, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 18th, 1827, for 3 years service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]