

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Abraham Maury S5730

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 23—very poor image of this document]

Virginia

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818 before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court for the Said State personally appeared Abraham Maury aged sixty years, resident in the County of Stafford in the said district, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision 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 Abraham Maury was appointed a Lieutenant in the County of Albemarle in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain John Marks of the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis. That he continued in to serve in that and in other regiments afterwards of four years, when he resigned his commission in the State of Virginia at Chesterfield Court House, that he was in the battles of Brandywine and Monmouth, and after resigning commanded a battalion of Militia during the Siege of Yorktown in Virginia 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 Service but what has been transmitted to the War Department.

S/ Wm A. G. Dade

[p 32: in a letter dated June 9, 1818, addressed to the Commissioner of pensions, the veteran refers to and application he filed in April supported by an affidavit from his brother Fontaine Maury together with supporting affidavits from Generals Edward Stevens & Thomas Parker.]

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Virginia Culpeper Court House people 7<sup>th</sup> 1818

At the request of Abraham Maury I do hereby Certify that I recollect his being in ye Army of ye United States in the time of the American Revolution & I think he was an Officer in ye 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis but I can't say what his rank was, or how long he remained in that Regiment but am pretty well satisfied that he served in one Grade or another several Years

S/ Edward Stevens, formerly  
ye Colonel of the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment

Ving<sup>th</sup> Continental C<sup>o</sup>. Horse April 7<sup>th</sup> 1818

At the request of Abraham Maury I do hereby Certify that I  
recollect him being one of a Party of 4<sup>th</sup> United States in the time of  
the American Revolution & that he was an Officer in 4<sup>th</sup>  
14<sup>th</sup> Ving<sup>th</sup> Regiment which was Commanded by Col<sup>o</sup>. Charles Lewis  
but I do not say what his Rank was, or how long he served in  
that Regiment but am perfectly well satisfied that this was an  
and good man and that is all I can say.

I do hereby certify  
4<sup>th</sup> Col<sup>o</sup>. of 4<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Ving<sup>th</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup>

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I hereby Certify that Abraham Maury Esquire & myself were lieutenants in the Revolutionary  
Army on Continental Establishment in the year 1788 [sic] how long he served I do not know, but  
I well recollect that he was considered as a very Valuable & exemplary Officer.

Given under my hand the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818

S/ Thomas Parker

a Captain at the end of the Revolutionary War

I hereby certify that Abraham Maury Esquire & myself were Lieutenants in the Revolutionary Army <sup>on Continental Establishment</sup> in the year 1788. How long he served I do not know, but I well recollect that he was considered, as a very valuable & Exemplary Officer  
Given under my hand the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818.  
Thomas Parker  
a Captain in the  
End of the Revolutionary  
War

[p 38: an undated note in the file which indicates that the original application has been mislaid. Presumably this is a reference to the application made by the veteran in April 1818.]

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I Fontaine Maury of the City of Washington do hereby Certify that Abraham Maury now an applicant for a Pension under 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" was appointed by the County Court of Albemarle in the State of Virginia, in the month of November 1776 a Lieutenant in the Army in the Army of the United States, that in Spring following he was attached to the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment & commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis, that he served in that, or some other detachment of the said Army until the year 70 and 81, when he resigned his Commission, that he was in the Battles of Brandy Wine [Brandywine, September 11, 1777] and Monmouth [June 28, 1778], and that about eight or ten years ago he had the misfortune to lose his I Site since which he has been in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance from his Country for Support.

S/ Fontaine Maury

Washington City  
August 1<sup>st</sup> 1818

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Virginia: 4<sup>th</sup> judicial Circuit: Superior Court of Law for Spotsylvania County, to wit:

On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1820, personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record by the laws of the State, Abraham Maury, age 62 years, resident in Spotsylvania County in said Circuit, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: That he was appointed a Lieutenant about November 1776 in Captain John Marks's company of the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, then commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis. That in 1778, the Regiment, by a

new arrangement was changed to the 10<sup>th</sup> commanded by Colonel William Davies, in which he remained until February 1781, when he resigned his commission. His original declaration was made before Judge Dade late in March, 1818; his pension certificate is No. 1555 & dated August first 1818. 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. Viz. A bond of one thousand dollars executed by Netherton & Robertson, which I put in the hands of a friend or agent in the State of Kentucky, about eight or nine years ago – a judgment against Godlove Boyer for a sum not now recollected, (though not large) from neither of which have I any hope or expectation of ever receiving one cent, as I have been told all three of the persons are insolvent. I had an interest or claim in 4/5 of one thousand acres of land in Kentucky, which I conveyed in trust about the same time to indemnify a security, from which I have not the smallest hope of receiving anything, as I have been informed by the trustee that he believed it had been sold for the taxes, & if it has not, I do not believe it would produce enough to discharge the debt for which it was conveyed.

S/ Abraham Maury

As to my occupation, I have none. I have been a merchant & a farmer, but now for want of eyesight, am unable to pursue either, even if I had the means. I have not been a housekeeper for 8 or 9 years past, but have lived among my friends.

S/ Abraham Maury

Sworn to and declared the 25 day of May 1820, before me, Judge of the said Court in open Court.

S/ William Brockenbrough

Honorable Lewis Cass Secretary of War  
Sir,

Fredericksburg Virginia 29 August 1832

I beg leave to enclose my Credentials on which I have for many years claimed & received a pension as an officer in the Revolutionary War. My object at this time is to claim the benefit of the Act of Congress of 7 June 1832 for which purpose I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except what I am entitled to by the above act of Congress, and hereby declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State, or if any, only on that of the agency of the State of Virginia, where my pension has heretofore been paid. I should be pleased to continue to receive it in Richmond, and will be greatly obliged by your pointing out any mode that may be requisite to perfect my claim to the benefit of the above recited Act of Congress.

I am most respectfully Sir  
Your most obedient Servant  
S/ Abraham Maury

*Abraham Maury*

Have the goodness to favor me with an immediate reply, as the pension falls due forth September.

I certify that it appears by the books of this office that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 1783 a Warrant No. 89 – for 2666 2/3 acres Land issued to Abraham Maury in consideration of his services for 3 years as a Lieutenant of the Continental Line.

Given under my hand at the Land Office, in the City of Richmond the 5<sup>th</sup> January 1818  
S/ Wm G. Pendleton, Register Land Office

[p 10: On June 19, 1843 in the Corporation of Fredericksburg Virginia, Mrs. Elizabeth B. Vass of said corporation, administrator of Abraham Maury, a pensioner under the 1832 act at the rate of \$320 per annum filed a claim in which she states that the deceased pensioner lived in Spotsylvania County Virginia until about 20 years prior to his death in Madison County Virginia; that the veteran was a resident of the town of Fredericksburg on March 23, 1833, the date of his death; that Mrs. Willia G. Gregory qualified as executrix of the last will and testament of the veteran; she died April 3, 1838 and the affiant has qualified as administrator *De bonis Non*; that the veteran left no widow but the following living children at the time of his death, viz.: Willia G. Gregory, James F. Maury, Catherine M. Hay, Abraham Maury, Jr. and affiant, Elizabeth B. Vass; that she, affiant, has been informed that her father served as adjutant in addition to being a Lieutenant; and that she is filing this application to obtain the pension due him from March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831 to his death marched 23, 1833.

*Elizabeth B. Vass.*  
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Dr. The United States in A/C with Abraham Maury

No.	To pay as Lt. from 1 <sup>st</sup> January '77 to 14 <sup>th</sup> Feby 1781	396	–	–	1780	By pay & Subsistence received at Sundry times	627	6	–	70	17
499	To pay as Adjt from 1 <sup>st</sup> Jany '79 to 14 <sup>th</sup> Feby 1781	99	9	–	June	By Cash by General Muhlenberg	1800	–	–	20	15
	To retained Rations	64	10	–	1781 Jany	By Do of Treasurer of Va	4760	–	–	63	9
						By Sundries of Capt. Hite Certificates	398	14	1 1/2		
						30 May 1783 sworn to before James Taylor					

The above is truly copied from a Book of Settlements of the Officers of the Revolutionary Army

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June 1843  
S/ Jas. E. Heath, Aud.

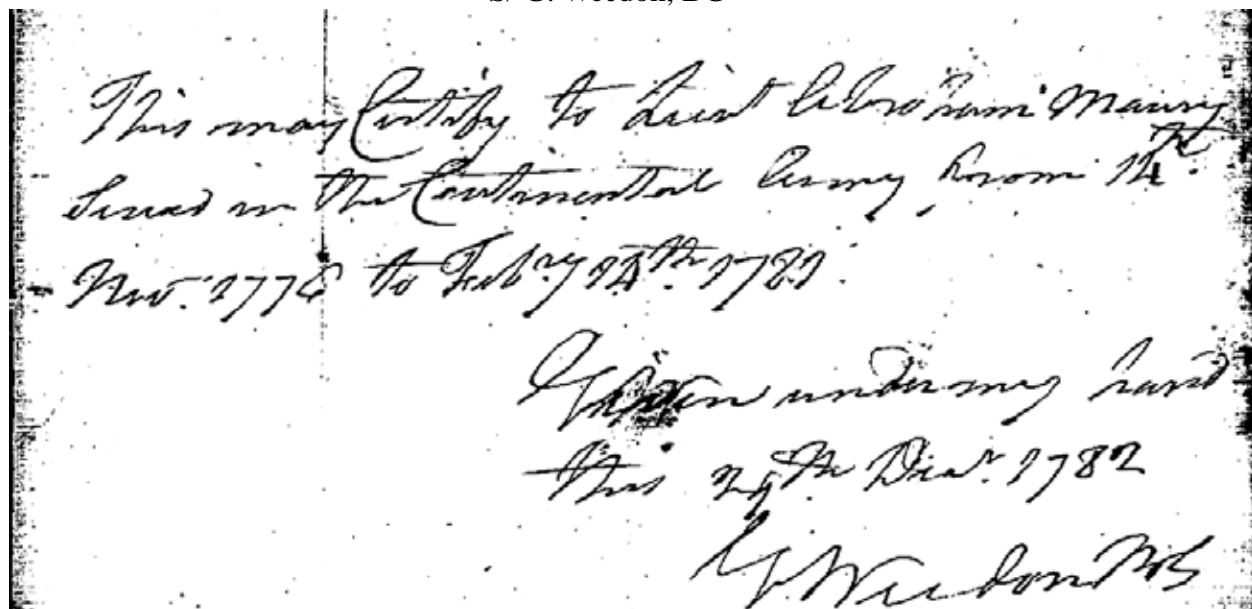
[Veteran was initially pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing April one, 1818, for service as a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's heirs initially received a pension at the rate of 320 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, and ending March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1833 when the veteran died for his services as a Lieutenant & adjutant in the Virginia service for 2 years. The pension allowed was later increased to \$480 per annum.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

This may Certify to Lieutenant Abraham Maury Served in the Continental Army from 14<sup>th</sup> of November 1776 to February 24<sup>th</sup> 1780.

Given under my hand this 29<sup>th</sup> of December 1782

S/ G. Weedon, BG



This may Certify to Lieut Abraham Maury  
Served in the Continental Army from 14<sup>th</sup>  
Nov. 1776 to Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1780.  
Given under my hand  
this 29<sup>th</sup> Decr 1782  
G. Weedon BG