

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Arthur McLean S8884

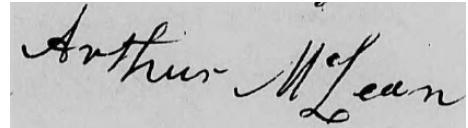
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State of Maryland

City of Baltimore SS

On this 9th day of April in the year of our lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen personally appeared before me the undersigned, Arthur McLean of Baltimore County, aged fifty six years and upwards, an applicant for a pension under the 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,” and then and there made the following declaration on oath by me administered “that he enlisted at St Mary’s County in the State of Maryland, at Leonard Town [Leonardtown], on the 6th Feb’y 1780, by recruiting Serg. Enoch McLean [Enoch McLane BLWt1970-100] – was mustered at Annapolis in said State in the spring of same year, in Capt. David Linds [sic: David Lynn, pension application W9151] Company in the 7th Maryland Reg’t. then commanded by Col John Gunby, by whom deponent was promoted to sergeant – went by water to Petersburg in Va. there joined the [Mordecai] Gist Brigade, commanded by Gen’l. [William] Smallwood, marched from thence under his command to Gen’l. Parsons, where the Army united. then commanded by Gen’l Baron De Kalb, – was at the battle of “Gates’ defeat” at Camden in S. Carolina [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780], was also at the battle of “Guilford” [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] under General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene], continuing with the Army until after the last battle at “Eutaw Springs” [8 Sep 1781] – marched from Bacons Bridge in So. Carolina, 15th Nov. 1782 arrived at Annapolis about the month of Feb’y 1783. then deponent obtained a furlough, went to Baltimore County to live, and after peace went to the dwelling of General Smallwood in Charles County, Maryland, where he received from his hand a discharge, on or about the month May 1783 – which discharge was lost or mislaid, not considering it of any value. – that his name hath never been inscribed on any pension list, therefore hath none to relinquish, that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support. Subscribed and Sworn to before me

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

State of Maryland, Baltimore City Sct.

On this ninth day of April in the year Eighteen hundred & eighteen personally appeared John Brevitt [John Brevett] Esquire of the City of Baltimore, before me the undersigned and after being by me duly sworn, doth depose and say, that he was a Lieutenant in the “fourth Maryland Regiment” under command of Josias Carver Hall [sic: Josiah Carvel Hall], during the Revolutionary war. That while in service in the Southern army he personally knew Sergeant Arthur McLean now present to have been a regular Soldier of the line, and is satisfied that he must have served in the capacity as a good and faithful Soldier of the United States for two or three years.

United States of America

Maryland District SS:

ON this Eleventh day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, in the District Court in and for the District of Maryland Arthur McLain aged Fifty nine years, resident in the City of Baltimore in said District who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: That he enlisted at Leonard Town in St Mary’s County and State of Maryland about 6th Feb’y 1780 in Capt. Linds Company, joined 7th Maryland Reg. Com’d by Col. Gunby; after Gates defeat transferred to Capt Lloyd Bill [sic: Lloyd Beall], afterwards under Capt Betts

and finally discharged by Genl Smallwood at his seat in Charles County about 6th Feb'y 1783 having served out to the close of the war.

That he hath been placed on the Revolutionary Pension Roll of the Maryland Agency at the rate of \$8 per month as will appear by his pension Certificate No 3479 dated 8th October 1818, and pay commencing from the 9th April 1818.

and I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 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.

Schedule referred to within, viz:

That he hath no property of any kind whatever except some bedding, as he lives in the family of a Gentleman and acts as market man – That his family consists of his wife named Mary aged sixty five years & very infirm – that having no income of any kind or nature whatever he could not possibly support himself were it not for the pension he draws as a Revolutionary soldier – Except he were to obtain it from private or public charity.

Arthur McLain

Land Office, Annapolis, Aug't. 26th 1836

I hereby certify, that it appears by the Master rolls of the revolution, remaining in this office, that Arthur McLean, enlisted as a Serjt. in Captain Lynn's Company, for the term of three years, on the 10th day of February 1780, and was present on the 1st of November 1780, and paid up to the period of his service,
George G Brown, Reg'r L'd off. W. S. Md.

Washington City/Sep 29 1836

This is to certify that I have been appointed by Mr. Arthur McLean of Baltimore to apply for his Pension as Sargeant under the law of 1832 Evidence having produced that he acted in that Capacity during more than Two years in the War of the Revolution

Respectfully, Your obt. Serv't

Alex'r Yearley/ office no. 20 St Paul Street Baltimore

To J. L. Edwards Esq'r, Commissioner of Pensions, Washington

NOTE: On 8 Oct 1818 Arthur McLean was pensioned at \$8 per month. On 10 Oct 1836 he was issued a certificate for a pension of \$120 per year for at least two years service as a Sergeant.