

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Abram (Abraham) Vaughan (Vaughn)¹ W610 Margaret S. f34VA

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State of Tennessee Wilson County: SS

On this 25th day of September in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipful John Shane, David C Hibbitts and James M Martin presiding Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Wilson County now sitting at the Courthouse in the town of Lebanon, Abraham Vaughan residing in the County of Wilson and State of Tennessee aged about sixty-nine years, who being first duly sworn according to [law] doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He states that he substituted in the place of James [indecipherable last name²] on Easter Monday 1779 who had eight months of his time to serve in the Company of Artillery commanded by Captain Peter Wright and Lieutenant William Fowler, which company was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonels Harrison & Porterfield – he entered the service in Dinwiddie County in the State of Virginia, and marched to Taylor's Fort an old Magazine [in] Mecklenburg County left there and returned home – after he received his discharge either in October or November 1779 – which was about nine months – the company of Peter Wright belonged to the Virginia State Troops. Again the applicant states that he substituted in the place of William Thwalt [?³] in Dinwiddie County in the State of Virginia in May or June 1780 under Captain George Pegram, Lieut.[s] Peter Epps [Peter Eppes] & William Walker, Boswell Hutchings [Bagwell Hutchins] Ensign, and marched from thence to Hillsboro North Carolina where he was attached to the 3rd Virginia Regiment of the Virginia State Troops under the command of Colonel Falkner [Lt. Col. Ralph Faulkner] & Downman [William Downman or Dorman] marched from thence to Deep River, to Pedee River – to Massy's Ferry [Massey's Ferry] – then to Redgley's [Rugeley's] Mills in South Carolina near Camden after the battle of Camden retreated to Hillsboro where the troops were rallied and marched to Guilford Courthouse in North Carolina from thence was marched to New Garden Camp – and then back to Guilford courthouse and there received his discharge in November 1780 after serving about seven months. In 1781 about the month of January the applicant substituted in the place of Lody

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[?] Tally⁴ in Amelia County Virginia under Captain David Crawley [perhaps David Crowley] – afterwards was transferred into the company commanded by Captain Creed Askins [Creed Haskins?] & attached to the Regiment commanded by Major William Brice & Colonel Falkner – was sent as a fatigue guard to the Bridge at Suffolk in Nansemond County Virginia, joined the Regiment again at Meads [?] Mills moved to Babbs old field, Crows old field, Broadwater Bridge Prince George Courthouse to Petersburg, thence with the wagons at the time of the battle – and received his discharge at Chesterfield Courthouse in Virginia under the command of Captain William Lewis – in April or May 1781 having served about four months. Again the applicant substituted in the place of Anthony Wiles [?] in Chesterfield County Virginia in June or July 1781 under Captain Arch^d Walthel & was attached to the Regiment at Whiteings [?] Mills in Gloster [Gloucester] County Virginia commanded by Colonel Dicks – marched to Gloucester Courthouse, Middlesex County, Whiting Mills Gloucester church, Boiling Springs – was engaged in no regular battle but had a little scrimmage at Gloucester Courthouse – and then received his discharge in October 1781 – having served about four months. He knows of no person except Charles Carter⁵ & he has not heard of him lately by whom he can prove his services and has no documentary evidence of his service having long since lost his discharges.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State in the Union.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the 25 day aforesaid 1832

S/ J. S. McClain, Clk

S/ Abram Vaughn, X his mark

[William Allgood, a clergyman, and Alexander Aston and Thomas Bradley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The Amended Declaration of Abraham Vaughn to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 – 20 months service –

This day personally appeared in open Court before Justices of the Peace for the County of Wilson and lawfully empowered to hold said Court for the County of Wilson now sitting Abraham Vaughn a resident Citizen of the County of Wilson aged 69 years – having been born in Amelia County Virginia in January in the year 1764 according to the family Register when called into service he lived in Dinwiddie County Virginia – (he now resides in Wilson County) when he first entered the service in 1779 he served under Captain Peter Wright seven months and was discharged – in the second service under Captain George Pegram he served five months – in the third tour of duty as described in his original declaration he served four months 1781 – in the fourth tour of duty he served four months and 1781 – in all 20 months – Declarant came to Tennessee in 1807 – Where he has resided ever since – in addition to the testimony contained in his original Declaration he can prove by John Bonner and Charles Lack who have known him for more than forty years – and know he was reputed in the State of Virginia to be a soldier of the Revolution – he is unable to produce any direct proof of his services – he emigrated from Virginia to Wilson County in Tennessee in the year 1807 where he had resided ever since.

Sworn to before me in open Court June 29th 1833

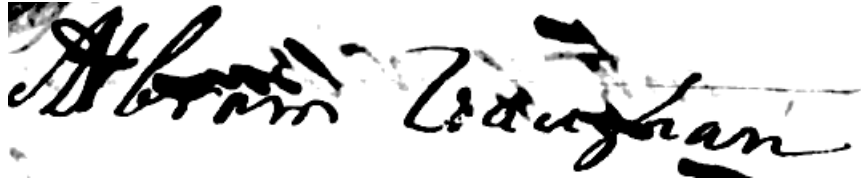
S/ J. S. McClain, Clerk

S/ Abram Vaughan



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⁵ This is probably a reference to the same man as [Charles Carter S1649](#)

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Abraham Vaughan". The script is cursive and somewhat stylized, with a long horizontal stroke at the end of the name.

[f p 12: On July 5, 1853 in Wilson County Tennessee, Margaret S. Vaughan, 51, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of "Abraham Vaughn (or Abram Vaughn)" a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in Wilson County Tennessee April 30, 1832; that they were married by Thomas Jopling, a JP.; that her name prior to her marriage was Margaret S Gold; that her husband died in Wilson County July 31st 1836; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$75.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 7 months service as a private in the Artillery and 13 months service as a private in the Infantry of the Virginia service.]