

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Wilson Maddox W8413

Delilah Maddox

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State of Kentucky Shelby County Sct.

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the following Justices to wit Benoni L. Newland, Robert T Robb and Geo. P. Miller composing the County Court of Shelby now in Session as a Court Wilson Maddox a resident of the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky aged seventy-seven 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 provision of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 for the benefits of the acts of Congress passed May 15th 1828. That he enlisted in the Service of the United States in the month of January 1778 under Thomas Dillard the Lieutenant in Captain Donaldson's [John Donaldson's] Company for the Term of three months and served in the Regiment of Colonel George Rogers Clarke [George Rogers Clark] who at that time commanded the troops in the Western Country, that he was in the state line of Virginia, that when he enlisted in the service he lived in the State of Virginia Charlotte County, but enlisted in Pittsylvania County State of Virginia under the aforesaid Officers, that he was in Captain Donaldson's Company although not enlisted by him but by his Lieutenant Thomas Dillard, that there was but one Regiment commanded by Colonel Clark as aforesaid, that after he enlisted he marched under the command of Lieutenant Thomas Dillard through the wilderness from Pittsylvania to Kentucky County and landed at Boons Borough [Boonesborough] on the 26th day of March 1778, that Captain Donaldson's company remained some time under the command of Dillard at Boonesborough until about ten days before his time of service expired, when Colonel Clarke sent an express from the falls of the Ohio to Boonesborough for Captain Donaldson's company to go on to the falls of the Ohio, that the Company went according to said command forthwith to the falls of Ohio, that there Captain Donaldson's company joined for the first time Colonel Clarke, that at the falls of the Ohio his term of three months enlistment expired, that from this Term of three months he was not discharged, he being in a foreign and wilderness country, he could not return with safety if he had desired the same that he at Harrodsburg again enlisted under Captain James Harrod, who formed one of the Companies of said Colonel Clark's Regiment, that the said Harrod's Company remained at the Fort at Harrodsburg until May 1779, when he was detailed ordered to march from said Harrodsburg under Captain Sigh Harland [Silas Harlan] to Chillicothe on the Little Miami River, that at this time the Regiment was commanded by Colonel John Bowman, he thinks in the Regiment there was about 280 men & officers, that at this place the Indians gave Colonel Bowman an action when Colonel Bowman had to retreat to Harrodsburg, that Colonel Bowman was then acting as under Colonel Clarke who as this affiant understood was the commander in chief of the armies in the Western Country, that he remained at Harrodsburg or the forts in its vicinity under Colonel Bowman until sometime in 1780 when he was by the order of

Colonel Bowman placed under the command of Captain Thomas Denton and ordered to march to the mouth of the Licking where Captain Denton's joined Colonel Clark's Army, of something like of a thousand men and officers, that from the mouth of Licking now Cincinnati Colonel Clark's Regiment marched to the Pickerway [Pickaway] Plains where Colonel Clarke gave the Indians an engagement and defeated them and burnt their huts, and destroyed their corn, that in this engagement some Indians were killed, that from this place the whole Regiment returned to the Ohio River where Colonel Clarke descended the River Ohio and the company of Captain Denton came on to Harrodsburg, that this affiant was still under the command of Colonel Bowman and under his order was guarding and building new forts in Kentucky County until 1782 when this affiant was placed under the command of John Dougherty Captain and ordered by Colonel Bowman to march to the Big Miami River under the command of Colonel Clarke who they joined at the mouth of Licking now Cincinnati again that Colonel Clark's Regiment whipped the Indians and took some Indian prisoners and retook some white persons in capture [captivity] by the Indians one woman by the name of McFall. That the Regiment of Colonel Clarke then returned to Cincinnati, he Colonel Clarke returned to the falls of Ohio and this affiant returned home to Harrodsburg. That all this service was done from the time of his first enlistment aforesaid as a regular Soldier subject to orders and duty at all times, that he faithfully served out all the duty that was required of him which was all the time, that from this service he never received a regular discharge, but was placed under so many commanders, that none felt it their duty to give discharges, that he knows of no one by whom he can prove the aforesaid services, that he has no documentary evidence of said services.

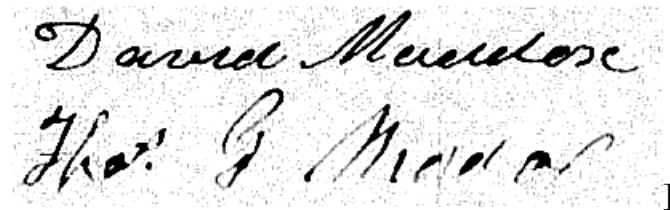
He hereby relinquishes every [claim] whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any State in the union.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Wilson Maddox, X his mark

[James Ballard, James Bradshaw & Thomas G. Maddox gave the standard supporting affidavit.

[p. 12: affidavit dated July 27, 1839 signed by David Maddox and Thomas G Maddox of Shelby County Kentucky in which they state they are the committee appointed by the Shelby Circuit Court to take care of Delilah Maddox, widow of Wilson Maddox; that she is insane and committed to their care.



David Maddox
Thos. G. Maddox]

[p. 13: On December 9, 1839 in Shelby County Kentucky, Thomas G Maddox and David Maddox the committee for the care of Delilah Maddox, widow of Wilson Maddox, filed a claim for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she married Wilson Maddox more than 50 years ago (the exact date cannot be stated as the family record is now in the war office); that Wilson Maddox died the last of June 1834.]

[p. 14: family record]

Births

Wilson Maddox Senior was born September 30 1757

Delilah Maddox was born April 13th 1770
David Maddox was born January 9th 1787
John Maddox was born March 16th 1789
Elijah Maddox was born January 24th 1791
Wilson Maddox was born February 15th 1793
Thomas Maddox was born June 18th 1795
Jenny Maddox was born December 10th 1797
Sally Maddox was born April 17th 1800
Betsy Maddox was born September 5th 1802
Patsy Maddox was born December 20th 1804
Niles [or Myles or Miles] Maddox was born August 7th 1807
Polly Maddox was born June 14th 1810
Delilah Maddox was born August 23rd 1813
Elijah Son of David was born January 11th 1812
Linna daughter of Wilson born December 20th 1812
Henry son of David born August 25th 1813
Levi son of Elijah born April 23rd 1815
Preston son of Wilson born July 20th 1815
Guinn son of David born November 7, 1815
Levina daughter of Wilson born July 24, 1817
Sylvester McCann born March 17, 1830

Marriages

Wilson Maddox and Delilah his wife were married July 13th 1785
David Maddox and Polly his wife were married November 1st 1810
Wilson Maddox Junior and Prudence his wife were born March 12th 1812
Elijah Maddox and Sally his wife were married March 9th 1815
Thos G. Maddox and Cynthia his wife were married May 7, 1822
Elizabeth Maddox and Hiram Kerlin were married March 23, 1822
John S Maddox and Healthy Brite was married the 25 day of July 1822
Melvill McCann and Polly his wife were married April 9th 1829
Silvester McCann was married March 17th 1830
Myles Maddox and Ellen Francis his wife were married October first 1833
Benjamin Warford and Delila his wife was married November 13 1834

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]