Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Maze (Mays, Maize) R7069 Mary Maze f69SC
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State of Pennsylvania Jefferson County

On this 22 day of March __ Personally appeared before William McNeal a Justice of the peace in and for said County Mary Maze a resident of the County aforesaid aged seventy-seven years who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836. That she is the widow of Thomas Maze -- who was a soldier of the revolutionary war of the United States Fought in South Carolina under General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] Captain John McClure &c -- was a volunteer or a mounted rifleman & wounded in the battle of hanging rock¹ this Deponent says she was married to the above named Thomas Maze in the year 1782 [last digit very faint and unclear]. She further says that her husband drew a pension and that the certificate of pension was lost in the freshet of February 1832 in Allegheny town where he drew his pension And that her husband Thomas Maze died the 2nd March 1830. And that she has remained a widow since that period she further states that her marriage took place before the expiration of the last period of her husband service in said revolutionary war. Sworn & subscribed this 22 day ___ 1842
S/ William McNeil
S/ Mary Maze, X her mark

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Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of War to Stephen Maylan Esquire -- Agent for the payment of Invalid Pensioners of the United States within the District of Pennsylvania dated War Department 21st of March 1810

Sir

Satisfactory evidence having been presented at this Office agreeably to the requisitions of the Acts of the 3rd of March 1804, entitled "An act for the relief of certain Military Pensioners in the State of South Carolina," that Thomas Maze, now residing in the State of Pennsylvania, had been legally placed on the Pension List of the said State of South Carolina at the rate of $21.43 per annum, -- and that he had received the same up to and including the 31st day of December 1791, and no longer, you are therefore hereby authorized and instructed in conformity with the Act above referred to, to place the name of the said Thomas Maze on the Pension List of the

¹ August 6, 1780. http://gaz.jrshelby.com/hangingrk.htm &
State of Pennsylvania at the rate of $21.43 per annum, and to pay him, or his legally authorized
Attorney own application, the arrearage his which may be due to him at that rate from the first
day of January 1792 to the 4th day of March and in future his regular semiannual stipends.

I am, Sir, __ &c, &c, &c.—
S/ D

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Cooksburg Pa July 28/ ??
J. A. Bently, Esq.
Dear Sir:

Through the Brookville Post Office I have received a copy of a letter sent by you to said
office asking information and PO address of some of the descendents of Mary Maze widow of
Thomas Maze private in the Revolutionary War. In reply [I] would state that I, Thomas Maze,
am the oldest of the descendents of Mary Maze now living, being in my sixty eighth year. Mary
Maize had issue four sons, all of whom are dead -- The order of seniority and names are as
follows John H. – Washington; James and William Maze. I am the oldest son of John H. Maze
who was the first born of Mary Maize hence the priority of my claim. If references be required I
can give these, and will [indecipherable word, possibly "subjoin"] the following:
Judge H. Cook – Cooksburg Forest Co. [County]
Con. James Campbell, Clarion, Clarion Co[unty]
Dr. James Ross, Clarion, Clarion Co[unty]

My address is as follows:
Thomas Maze

[Signature]
Cooksburg Pa.
Nearest Express Office,
Clarion, Clarion Co. Pa

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Increase of Pension

It is hereby certified that Thomas Maze formerly a private of Captain John McClure's
company, in the 1st Volunteer Regiment of South Carolina who it appears by the accompanying
certificate was placed on the pension roll at the rate of $2.66 per month, on account, as he states,
of having received a wound in his right arm while in the line of his duty, and in the said service,
on or about the 12th day of August in the year 1780 at a place called Camden in the State or
territory of South Carolina, is not only still disabled in consequence of said entry, but, in my
opinion is entitled to $2.66 2/3 more than he already received as a pensioner.
Sworn before made this 14th day of June 1822 S/ Jos. Lovell
S/ E. Reynolds, JP S/ A. Brereton

[Facts in file: Veteran died March 27, 1830 in Venango County, Pennsylvania; several typed
summaries of this veteran's service contain the statement that he was wounded in battle at
Camden while serving in the SC militia under Capt. John McClure. The foregoing document is the only one in the file which I could find that indicated the veteran claimed to be at Camden.]