

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of John Maban (Mabin) S1686

Transcribed by Will Graves

State of Tennessee, Dixon [sic, Dickson] County July Term 1833

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices now sitting John Mabin a resident of Dickson County & State of Tennessee aged Eighty four years who first being 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<sup>th</sup> 1832. He states that he was born in the County of Orange in the State of North Carolina in the year 1749 and his father moved from there to Guilford County where he entered the Service as well as he now recollects in the year 1776 under the Command of Colonel John Paistly [sic, John Paisley], Major John Donnell, Captain Archer Forbes, Lieutenant William Wiley,<sup>1</sup> Ensign William Gilmore from thence to Hillsboro in North Carolina as a guard Prisoners, we then were marched back to Guilford after a tour of three weeks. After this I was again called on to go against what was then called the Scotch, and we were marched to Fayetteville, and returned I was under the same officers as I have above stated. Lieutenant William Wylie who is now present will testify as to those two tours of duty this was about three weeks. He does not recollect the time we again went out on a tour against Fanning [David Fanning] the Tory General, under the Command of Captain Forbus in this trip we were about four weeks – we returned to Guilford, In the year 1781 I was again called on to go against Cornwallis under the Command of the same officers except Lieutenant William Wiley, who was not with me this trip. We marched into Macklenburg [sic, Mecklenburg County] – we were then compelled to retreat across the River Adkin [sic, Yadkin] where we took a stand in wait for the enemy, I was here taken sick and got a furlough to go home, and did so, I served in this tour of three months.

He states that he does not recollect what year for he is now old and infirm, but he has a distinct recollecting of entering the service as a volunteer in the horse under the Command of Captain Thomas Jenkins in the County of Guilford, we served in all as he firmly believes in actual service of eight months under the Command of Captain Jenkins, as a volunteer horseman, In them days they were called minute men and subject to be called at any moment, In all the service he rendered the government he states was Ten months and up. This is all that he can now recollect of his service, from Guilford County he moved to the County Dixon in the year 1807 where he now lives and has lived since the War. He has no evidence of his Service but the affidavit of William Wylie as part of his Service, and served as his Lieutenant and whose affidavit is attached nor has he any record of his age, his father's family Bible having been burnt by fire he hereby relinquishes any claim to a pension what ever except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state in the union or Territory.

S/ John Maban, \ his mark

Sworn to in open Court

S/ Field Farrar, Clerk

William Wylie of the age of Eighty two years makes oath that the Service as stated in the declaration of John Maban of the two trips to Hillsborough & Fayetteville He knows to be correct that he was with him and acted as his Lieutenant both trips, but as to the length of time he cannot state; nor has he stated either of those trips in his declaration for a pension.

Sworn to and Subscribed in Court

S/ William Wiley

S/ Field Farrar, Clerk

[standard supporting affidavit given by David Campbell, a clergyman, and Joseph Willy]

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<sup>1</sup> [William Wiley W322](#)