

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of William Mackay (Mackey, McKey) W6 Nancy fn64SC
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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Also, the handwriting of the original scribes often lends itself to varying interpretations. Users of this database are urged to view the original and to make their own decision as to how to decipher what the original scribe actually wrote. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original.]

State of Tennessee Blount County: Be it remembered that this day came William Mackey before me James Turk presiding Justice of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid to which Court is a court of record. And the said William Mackey being first sworn according to law made the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of and Act of the Congress of the United States of America entitled "An Act provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" (to wit) That he the said William Mackey enlisted in the Service of the United States under Capt. George Wade of Col. Thomas Sumpter's [sic, Thomas Sumter's] Regiment of the South Carolina line, sometime in the month of December A.D. 1775, and served in the service of the United States against the common enemy the British for the term of 18 months and having been at the battle of Sullivan's Island, ¹was some time in the month of June 1777 as well as this deponent recollects honorably discharged by the aforesaid Capt. George Wade, which discharge is my time lost, or so mislaid that this deponent does not know where it is. This deponent further states that he claims no pension under the United States or any, or either of them, otherwise man under the above recited act of the Congress of the United States. This deponent further states that he is now upwards of 59 years of age and that he absolutely stands in need of the assistance of government for support. And that he has no other as better evidence to offer to establish his claim to a pension under the forgoing act of Congress except the affidavit of __ herewith accompanying.

S/ William McKey, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me James Turk presiding justice of the court of pleas and quarter sessions of Blount this 24th day of June 1818

S/ James Turk

[Samuel Henry gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee

Be it remembered that at a court of Pleas and quarter Sessions began and held for Blount County at the Court House in Maryville on the 4th Monday of June 1820, on Wednesday the 28th day of the month and 3rd day of the Term, personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for said County William Mackey age 61 years, or thereabouts, Resident in said Blount County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. He enlisted in South Carolina in the fall or winter of 1778 -- 9 before the Battle of Sullivan's Island for 18 months under Capt. George Wade of Col. Thomas Sumpter's Regiment of the South Carolina line Continental establishment and was attached to the guard at Bolton's landing opposite the point of Sullivan's Island during the Battle -- and was in various skirmishes with the British and Tories, and fought the Indians at a place called the Vallies, and was discharged on or about the first of June 1780, after having faithfully served out

¹ June 28-29, 1776. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/moultrie.htm>

his said Term, but has lost his said discharge. After peace was made and during the unsettled State of affairs in the United States he joined a Troop of Horse and on parade received a fall from his horse, which put his hip out of joint, by which he is and has been ever since disabled very much, -- he has received a pension under the Act of Congress of 18th of March 1818, his original declaration was made on or about the 24th day of June 1818, his pension Certificate is dated the 29th day of June 1819, and numbered 12, 378 --

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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, (to wit) one mare and colt -- 13 head of cattle -- 28 head of hogs -- 25 head of sheep -- one kettle -- one small pott -- 2 small ovens-- 3 wheels -- 4 chairs - - 12 pewter plates -- two pewter dishes -- one washing tub -- one water pail -- one piggin -- 2 small tin buckets -- 5 old knives & forks -- 18 Ginny fowls -- 50 Dunghill fowl -- one Ax -- one mattock -- 2 old shovel plows -- 2 pair horse gears; told amount of value \$205 my bedding and clothing of myself and family excepted -- Also 117 acres of lowest rate hilly upland on which the state installments are yet due and unpaid -- and I owe to various individuals for balance price of my land and other things about \$302 -- My occupation is farming and from the disability occasioned by having my hip put out of joint, and from my advanced age I am very illy able to pursue the occupation -- My family consists of my wife Mary aged 45 years -- my eldest daughter Lisey aged 20 years -- my 2nd daughter Harriett age 16 years -- my 3rd daughter Nancey aged 13 years -- my 4th daughter Mahaly aged 80 years -- and my 5th daughter Sally and last child age 5 years, which is the whole of my family all of whom are as stout and healthy as usual except my daughter Harriett, who is very sickly and puny, unable to labor sufficient for her support and has been so for many years --

Sworn to and declared on the 28th of June 1820 in Open Court

S/ William Mackay

S/ Jacob F. Foute, Clk

[fn p. 15: On May the 6th 1844 in Blount County Tennessee, Nancy them Mackey aged 70, filed for a widows pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William Mackey a pensioner at the rate of \$96 a year; that she married him in 1791; that she has no record of their marriage other than a family record kept by her husband containing the date of their marriage and the births and deaths of their children which she attached as set out below; that her husband died in 1833; that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 19: on September 7, 1856, Nancy Mackay, 88, filed in Blount County Tennessee for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of William Mackay stating that she married him in Kershaw district South Carolina and that her maiden name was Nancy White; in this filing she says her husband died in Roane County Tennessee on July 6, 1836.]

[fn p. 52, veteran filed yet another declaration in 1823 in Blount County, TEnn., setting out the exact same facts as above as to his service; in this declaration is details his property and its

disposition and there are affidavits from the sheriff and others detailing the disposition of the veteran's property.]

[fn pp. 5-6 Family Record –very faint and difficult to decipher—below is my best attempt at it exactly as it appears (at least to me)]

Marriages

William McKey and his wife Marget was maried in the year of our Lord 1776

William Mckee and his wife Elisabeth was maried in the year of our Lord 1788

William McKey and his wife Nancy in the year of our Lord 1791

John Mckey and his wife [illegible, appears to end in 'nely'] was maried in the year of our lord 1805

Sherlotte Mckey and her husband James Harris was married 1812

Hariet Mckey and her husband David Farr was maried in the year of our Lord 1820

ELisebeth Mckey and her husband William [illegible, last name MAY BE "Dever"] was maried in the year of our Lord 1821

Nancey Mackey and her husband Wm Morton was Maried

Mahailee Mackey and Archible H. Morton was Maried

Sarah McKey and John More was maried

Births

[very little of this can be read, at least on the digital image posted on Footnote.com]

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Lewis [illegible] was born in the year of our Lord 1812

Nancy Dever Daughter of Wm and Elisabeth Dever was Born in the year of our Lord 1836