Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Mason VAS508 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

Fayette County August Court 1786

Peter Mason and Inhabitant of this County now in his 30th year of age made Satisfactory proof that on the 25th day of July 1780 he was in Duty in a Company of Militia commanded by Captain Hugh McGary who belonged to a Regiment of Kentucky Militia then on their way to the General rendezvous of the Army on their March to the Shawnee Towns. That by a fire from the Enemy he received a wound in his wrist –

It appears to the Court that he is to Remote from the Seat of Government to attend in person and direct Doctor Anderson McKinley to Examined the Degree of his disability and certify that the same to the Executive.

Test: S/ Levi Todd

I hereby certify, that Peter Mason has lost the use of his left wrist, or Carpus, the Ligaments have been broke, and the Bones much shattered, by a gun=shot wound; the Joint and articulations are stiff, he can't shut his fingers close, the wounded wrist and hand are much less & weaker than the other.

29th of July 1786

Certified by

S/ And McKinley

I do, with the advice of the Counsel, hereby certify that he or Mason, about 30 years of age late a private in Captain McGary's Company of Kentucky Militia appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the Service of the United States as to entitle him to the sum of six pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786

Given under my hand at Richmond this 29th day of November 1786.

S/ P. Henry

Received the contents October 20, 1789

S/ P. Mason