Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Cornelius Maupin R7041

VA

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State of Virginia

At a Court held for Albemarle County the 2^d October 1832

On this second day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Albemarle County now sitting—Cornelius Maupin of the County of Albemarle and State aforesaid aged seventy five years on the 3^d of next February who being first 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 7th 1832.

That he was drafted in the Militia of the state aforesaid in 1777 or 1778 in the Company commanded by Capt Robert Harris under Major Nicholas Lewis Colonel not recollected, – under General Thomas Nelson

That he marched from Albemarle County to Richmond where the companies were organized from thence he marched to York & Hampton and was discharged at Williamsburg. In the fall of 1779 he was again drafted in the Virginia Militia for a second tour, and furnished a man in his place. In the spring 1781 He was drafted and served as a guard to the magazine in James river under Capt Henry Burk [sic: Henry Burke], and was discharged at the end of the tour of two months at the old courthouse of Albemarle County Va.

In 1781 He was employed and engaged as a shoe maker to the Regiment three months at the Barracks in said County of Albemarle where Burgoynes men were stationed [captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and kept at Albemarle Barracks Jan 1779 - Feb 1781] — Capt John Payton [John Peyton] commanded him at the Albemarle Barracks. That he was born in the County of Albemarle in the state of Virginia in the year 1758 & now resides there He was in the service about eight months exclusive of the tour for which he hired a man in his place. He has no recollection of receiving any written discharge He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Cornelius Maupin

Thereupon the Court propounded to the applicant the following Interrogatories:

- 1. Where & in what year were you born
- A I was born in Albemarle County State of Virginia in the year 1758
- 2 Have you any record of your age and if so where is it
- A I have a record of my age in my Bible at home
- Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war, & where do you now live
- A When called into service I lived in Albemarle County Va. where I continued to live since the Revolution & where I now live
- 5 State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such Continental & Militia Reg'ts as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your service.
- A I don't now remember more than I have already stated in my declaration.
- 6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given & what has become of it.
- A I have no recollection of receiving any written discharge.

Daniel Maupin [pension application S5733] appeared in open Court and being sworn says – that he recollects perfectly that the claimant served a two months tour, and was in the public service three months at the Albemarle Barracks as stated in his declaration.

William Maupin [S13851] also appeared in open Court and being sworn says that he saw the applicant march in the first tour under Capt. Harris and returned from the service at the expiration of the two

months. That he marched and served with the applicant two months tour under Capt Burk and knows that he served at the Albemarle Barracks but cant say how long.

Va Albemarle County, Sc.

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace for said county, Cornelius Maupin, who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, & the following grades.

For two months I served as a private – being drafted I think in august 1778 and discharged about Sep'r. of the same year.

For two months I served as a private, being drafted, I think, in March 1781, and discharged sometime in the month of May of the same year

For three months I served in the capacity of a Shoemaker at the Barracks in Albemarle, at the place at which Burgoyne's troops were stationed – being drafted, I think, in the month of Sep'r. 1781 and being discharged sometime in the month of December, 1781. I was detained in service, with others as a mechanic, at the encampment after Burgoynes troops were removed – and for such service I claim a pension. Witness my hand & seal this 9th day of March 1833.

NOTES:

Cornelius Maupin's application was rejected because it was claimed that his term as a shoemaker was not military service, and he therefore did not serve the required six months.

On 30 Dec 1859 David Wiant of Moormans River in Albemarle County, heir of Cornelius Maupin, gave power of attorney to obtain any benefits that might have been due.