Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Mainor (Mainer) S41801 Transcribed by Will Graves f12NC

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State of North Carolina Wayne County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1818 Josiah Mainor came personally into Court and made oath on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that in the year 1780 or 1781 he enlisted at Duplin Court House in the State aforesaid as a Private Soldier under Capt. John James in the North Carolina Continental line and joined the Army at Wilmington in the state aforesaid and served twelve months in the Sixth Regiment commanded by Col. Dixon [Henry "Hal" Dixon] and got an Honorable discharge at Wilmington from Capt. Benjamin Coleman, which he has lost.

This Deponent further states that from some unaccountable omission of his officers as he is informed his name does not appear upon the Rolls of the War Department; he further states that he is very poor and needs the aid of the Government and he is 69 years of age.

S/ Josiah Mainor, X his mark

Vincent Salmon¹ maketh oath that he served as a Private Soldier in the Army commanded by General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], and that he knows the above named Josiah Mainor served also as a Private Soldier in said Army.

S/ S/ Vinson Salmon, X his mark

Wiat Warwick [Wyatt Warwick]² came personally into Court and Deposeth and saith, that he served in the Army commanded by General Greene (for and during the term set forth in the foregoing affidavit) with Josiah Mainor and that they were discharged at the same place and returned home together.

18th May 1819

S/ Wiat Warwick, X his mark

S/ E. Slocumb, Chairman of the Court

State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 12 December 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State, that Josiah Mainer a private in Capt. Doherty's Company of the 10th Regiment³ was mustered in 1781 for __ and that his time was out

² Wyatt (Wiat, Wiatt) Warwick (Warrick, Worrick) W3898

¹ Vincent (Vinson) Salmon R9156

³ J. D. Lewis advises that the designation of the 10th Regiment as the regiment in which a veteran served was often the NC Secretary of State's 'default' designation when he could not find muster rolls giving the actual regiment in which the veteran served. J. D. indicates in his online posting that this veteran served in the 4th NC Regiment. See, http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc_patriot_military_privates_m.html and search for "Mainor, Josiah."

on the 25th May 1782.

Given under my hand the date above. S/Wm Hill

State of North Carolina Sampson County: On this 21st day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record (by act of assembly) for the County aforesaid) Josiah Mainor aged Seventy-one years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th Marched 1818 and the 1st May 1820: that he the said Josiah Mainer enlisted for the term of one year on the __ day of May in the year 1780 or 1781 in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Capt. John James in the Regiment commanded by Col. Dickson [sic] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the to Continental establishment, that he was discharged from the said service in the town of Wilmington in the state aforesaid.

That he was in a battle at a place called bald head, below Wilmington in the State aforesaid, and that he has no other evidence in his power of his said services except the oath of Vincent Salmon & Wyatt Warwick

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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

one Feather bed & furniture and about 10 acres of corn now growing.

S/ Josiah Mainer, X his mark

That he is a farmer by occupation; that from his advanced age, and bad health, he is unable to perform much labor, that he has a wife of the name of Sarah about the age of 69 years that she is not able to perform much labor, that he has 3 daughters living with him, namely Mary age 31 years and as well as able to labor as ordinary women of her age -- Sally 26 years old, afflicted with the Rheumatism and not able to do much work, Peggy 22 years old afflicted with the Cholic [sic] so as to render her incapable of performing much labor.

Sworn to and declared on the 21st day of August 1820 before the Court aforesaid S/ Josiah Mainor, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 19, 1818 for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]