## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Patrick Mason S41810

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State of North Carolina

Person County

On this the 12<sup>th</sup> May AD 1828 personally appeared in open Court, it being a Court of Record, before Joseph J. Daniel one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law & Equity in said State, Patrick Mason, aged 66 years, a resident of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in Order to obtain the provisions made by the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & first May 1820, that he the said Patrick Mason enlisted for the Term of twelve Months on 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1781 in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by captain Tillman [Tilghman] Dixon in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Ashe [see endnote], in the line of the State of North Carolina, on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said line untill he was duly discharged from the service at the end of one year in the State of South Carolina, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pention except the present, that his name is not on the Roll of any State except that of this State and that the reason why he has not made earlier application for a pention is that he has heretofore felt able to support himself that his infirmities have of late so increased that he is now unable to do so, and is severely afflicted with Rheumatism

And in pursuance of the Act of 1st May 1820 I Patrick Mason do solemly swear that I was resident citizen of the United States on the 18th March 1818 and that I have not by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with an intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an Act "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 18th March 1818 and that I have not, nor any person in trust for me, any property, or securities, contracts or debts due me, nor have I any income than what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed and subscribed to, & that I never have owned any land Always lived on rented land and that I have no family living with me except my wife who is an old decrepid infirm woman and a lame daughter, occasioned by white swelling

1 <sup>st</sup> Article	1 Blind Mare	\$10.00	Forw'd		\$22.00
$2^{d}$	1 Sow & 2 Pigs	3.00	8 <sup>th</sup> Article	2 H. Saws	1.00
3	1 Sow & 2 Pigs 1 Bed & furniture	5.00	9	1 Mattock	0.50
4	1 Axe	1.00	10	1 plane	0.50
5	1 Broad axe	1.00	11	3 Chairs	1.50
6	4 Auger	1.00	12	1 pewter dish	1.00
7	4 Chisels	1.00	13	2 Hoes	0.50
	Forw'd	\$22.00	14	1 Can	0.25
					\$27.25

Sworn to in open Court the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1828 Patrick hisXmark Mason

Caswell County N.C January 8th 1822

I hereby certify, that Patrick Mason, was a Soldier in the revolutionary ware, the he belong to the North carolina line & seved twelve months faithfully, given from under my hand, the day and date above TLP Donne for

[Thomas Donoho Sen'r., pension application W9838]

State of North Carolina/ Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Pat'k. Mason a private Soldier in Capt. Dixon's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Reg't. enlisted on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1781 for the term of twelve months, and that he left the service on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 1782.

Given under my hand at Office this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1828. Wm. Hill

Commons Hale Corporation of Milton/ State of North Carolina

The day Samuel Stephens [S7640] personally appeared before me Stephen Dodson Intendant in and for the Town of Milton and state aforesaid and made oath in proper form of Law that he the said Samuel Stephens deposeth and sayeth that he was in the service of the United State on the Continental line of said State in the year 1781 and while in said service he remembers that Patrick Mason was a private in Captain Tilman Dixons Company in said Continental establishment, that the said Patrick Mason served Twelve Months on said line and was honorably discharged from said service and since which time the said Patrick Mason has resided in said Samuel Stephens neighbourhood, and that he has been personally acquainted with his circumstances and character, and this affiant sayeth that the said Patrick Mason has uniformly maintained an honest upright character; but has always been in indigent Circumstances; that he is now quite infirm with the Rheumatism and becoming unable to maintain himself that the said Patrick has never owned any land neither has he much property, that this affiant veryly believes that the said Patrick is justly intitled to a pension under the acts of Congress passed the 18th March 1818 and first May 1820 and that he is positively the same said Patrick Mason which did serve as a 12 months soldier in said Line in the year 1781.

Sworn to this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December AD 1828

## NOTES:

The only Colonel Ashe I could identify was John Ashe, who became a General in 1778 and resigned in 1779. Capt. Tilghman Dixon was a prisoner of war from 12 May 1780 until 14 June 1781 and then served under Maj. Reading Blount in the brigade of Gen. Jethro Sumner.

In the 1820 federal census of Person County NC Patrick Mason is listed as head of a household of "Free Colored" persons.