

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Larrance (Lawrence) Killebrew (Kellobrue)W24816 fn77NC

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State of Illinois, Morgan County

Of this 22nd day of September in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared in open court before William Woods, James Green & William Gillham Judges of the County Commissioners' Court of Morgan County now sitting Lawrence Killebrew a resident of said County aged 69 years, 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. In September 1778 he volunteered in Tarbury [sic, Tarborough] Town, Edgecombe County North Carolina to serve a tour of Military duty of three months under Captain James Scarborough the Company assembled with three others at Tarborough Town the four companies were under the command of Colonel Sessions and marched to Wilmington, we joined the Army under the command of General Dozier on the route to Wilmington at a place called Richland Chapel on New River when the Army to which deponent belonged arrived at Wilmington the British had left that vicinity, our Regiment under the command of Colonel Turner marched from Wilmington to Cross Creek in search of Tories, deponent went with this detachment under his Captain Scarborough. The Regiment marched from Cross Creek to Campden [sic, Camden] remained there a short time and then returned to Tarborough Town, deponent served in this expedition three months, he received a discharge signed by Colonel Turner of the Militia but he has long since lost that discharge. Immediately upon his return home he joined a company of Captain Light Horse Commanded by Captain Scofield who was called Griss Scofield. This Company was organized to protect the Inhabitants of the County from injury from the Tories, and its operations were confined in the County. Deponent continued in service in this company from Christmas until the last of July in the year following, at this time there was a call for a drafted man to serve the 18 months. The deponent belonged to a company of Militia under the command of Captain John Wilson, but Wilson was not in service. That company was called on to furnish its proportion of the drafted man to serve the 18 months. The company was classed and each class was required to furnish one man. Deponent volunteered his services, this was at Tarborough Town North Carolina. The Militia raised in the County of Edgecombe assembled at Tarborough Town and marched from that place under Colonel Session to Warrenton and was there organized into Companies, the deponent was attached to a Company commanded by Captain Armstrong and a Regiment commanded by Colonel Hamilton. There were three Regiments Organized at Warrenton: the Regiments marched from Warrenton to Wilkes Courthouse and there joined the Army under the command of General Greene [Nathanael Greene], about two months after this General Greene went to the South with a part of this Army, a part of the Army marched to Camden and deponent was with this part, Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] commanded that part which went to Camden, deponent remained at Camden about three months – he then employed a Substitute to serve the balance of the 18 months his name was Micajah Whitley – deponent served about 11 months & having hired the Substitute, who was received, went home. Deponent was never in any Battle except little skirmishes with the Tories. Deponent received a discharge for this service signed by Captain Armstrong and Major Hogg, but he has lost that discharge. Deponent has no documentary evidence by which to prove his services, he knows of no one now living by whom he can prove his service. Deponent being interrogated by this court states that he was born in Tarborough Town Edgecombe County North Carolina on or about the 10th May, 1763. He has a Record of his age at his House in Morgan County Illinois, at the age of 22 years he removed to Montgomery County Georgia lived there about eight years, then removed to Wilkes County same state lived there about eight years, then removed to Montgomery County Tennessee, lived there four years, then removed to Christian County Kentucky lived there about six years, he then removed to Missouri &

settled near Saint Charles, remained there between four & five years, then removed to Salt River in Missouri and after remaining there about six years he removed to Morgan County Illinois where he now resides. Deponent is known to Thomas Cowkick, Doct. Daniel Roberts, Capt. John Summers, David Casebier, who reside in his neighborhood. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension Rolls of the Agency of any state or Territory.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Green

S/ Lawrence Killebrew

S/ William Gillham

S/ William Woods

[James V. Hedenberg, Thomas Cowkick, and John Summers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Personally appeared before me Matthew Stacy the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Morgan aforesaid in the applicant for the with and Pension, applied for on the 22nd day of September 1832 before the County Commissioners Court of said County – who being duly Sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory – he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For three months I served as a private soldier from September 1778 until December 1778. Also further for seven months I served as a private soldier from December 25th until July 25, 1779. Also further for 18 months I served as a private soldier from July 1779 until January 1781 of this service 11 months I served in person and seven months by Substitute as mentioned within – making the whole tour of duty I served as a private Soldier two years and four months and for such service I claim a pension.

S/ Lawrence Killebrew

Sworn to before me and the subscribing the Same acknowledges [sic] to be his Signature by the Said Laurence Killebrew this the 31st May 1833.

S/ Mat. Stacy, JP

[On April 10, 1840 Elizabeth Bullock Killebrew filed for a widow's pension in Scott County, Illinois stating that she is 73 years old, that she married Lawrence Killebrew in October 1783; that Lawrence died on April 4, 1835, a pensioner of the US for his revolutionary services. Sons, William and Lawrence Killebrew, gave supporting affidavits. Son Lawrence was born August 12 [or 22] 1794].