Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Kincaid VAS1067 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

Frederick County Virginia June 1833

I hereby certify that I was well acquainted with William Kincaid of the Continental Army, & well remember his entry into the service at an early period of the revolutionary War, as adjutant to the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood. I cannot say the exact time, but it was before the Regiment marched to the North. I never heard that William Kincaid resigned his commission & believe he obtained promotion & served to the end of the War.

S/ John Smith

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the twelfth day of January 1783, in the name of William Kincaid, as a Lieutenant of infantry for £166.13.6, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to __ and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782. To wit, from first January 1777 to 21st July 1778 –

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 7th day of March 1833.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Virginia Frederick County: Stat.

This day personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, General John Smith, who made oath in due form of law, that he is a Soldier of the War of the Revolution, and that during the time of said war, while he the said John Smith was County Lieutenant for the County aforesaid he became well acquainted with William Kincaid of the Continental Army and distinctly remembers that said Kincaid entered into service at an early period of the Revolutionary War as adjutant to the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood. The exact time is not remembered further than that it was before the Regiment marched to the North. That he believes the said Kincaid served to the end of the War having heard that he

obtained promotion in the Army – certainly he never heard that Kincaid resigned his commission, nor hath he other [indecipherable word] that he did resign – In witness whereof the said John Smith have signed his name here unto in my presence.

Given under my hand this 15th day of July 1833 S/ John Smith Davison, JP

Nelson County to wit

Affidavit of Doctor Robert Kincaid of lawful age taken the 23rd day of November 1833. The affiant being first duly sworn according to law saith that he is the eldest child of the late William Kincaid of the County of Fauquier Virginia – that he has often heard his father declare while living (he having departed this life in 18?8 [?]¹) relate his [indecipherable word] of the Revolutionary War, he has heard him state "that he bore the command of Major in the Brigade of General James Wood," that he does not remember to have heard him state the day when his service commenced or when they ended, but does recollect to have heard him describe the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], the White Plains [October 28, 1776] and a battle at a place called Charleston [indecipherable word] of which he declared himself to be an actor – that as to the [indecipherable word or words] his Service he does not as before stated remember to have heard him state but he the affiant presumes that it lasted as long as did that of General Wood the adjutant of whose Regiment the said William Kincaid was when it was first raised and marched to the northern Army. Colonel Wood (James) was then promoted to the command of a brigade, and the promotion of his said father followed. That he is induced from another fact to believe that his father served as long as did that of General Wood if not during the war that is that he was appointed [several indecipherable words], and married his adopted daughter a Miss Chinn [?]² the mother of this affiant. [At this point, the quality of the image as posted online become so poor that I have not attempted to transcribe it literally. What I think I can make out of it in the way of additional facts are as follows: after the revolution his father settled in Georgetown now District of Columbia; that his father died in the year 1818 [?]³; that before his death his father applied for a pension for his services which he proved by judge Robert White; that the affiant understood that his father was placed on the pension list under some act of Congress; that search has been made for his pension papers but they cannot be found; the petition is dated November 25, 1833 and signed

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Said to be "Agatha Chinn"