

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Richard Cockrell and Edward Cockrell VAS3043
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I John S. Kesterson aged seventy two years do hereby Certify that Richard Cockrell & Edward Cockrell of the county of Northumberland State of Virginia enlisted in the Contineltal service of the American revolutionary war as Soldiers sometime in the year 1777 under Capt John Edmonds for three years, & continued in the service untill they were both killed at the battle of Brandywine that the said Richard & Edward were never married & that Richard Cockrell is the nephew of the said Richard decd & the said Edward & their sole heir and that he believes neither the said Richard decd nor the said Edward ever appl'd for or recd in their life any pay, land, bounty or any thing else in consideration of the said services, nor his said heir since their death. Given under my hand & seal this 22 day of Fby 1839.

John S Kesterson

[Edward Sorrel W26493 signed (with his mark) an almost identical statement.]

no such officer as is named can be found on the rolls of officers of the Continental line. The witnesses are therefore supposed to be mistaken as to the kind of service. Claim rejected

DC [Gov. David Campbell]