Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Kinchan (Kinchen) Killebrew S1844 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee, Weakley County: October 1832

On this day personally appeared in Open Court before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County & State aforesaid now sitting Kinchen Killebrew a resident of the County of Weakly & State aforesaid aged seventy-five 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer & served as herein stated. That he entered the service of the United States in the State of North Carolina and his first Campaign was commenced in March 1776 under General Sumpter [Jethro Sumner?]², Colonel Long [Nicholas Long] & Captain Whitacre [John Whitaker] and served a tour of fifteen days against the Tories. This affiant was raised in the County of Halifax whence he started upon this tour of duty. In May of the same year he served in the capacity of a volunteer as aforesaid his second Campaign which was a tour of three months under General Ash [sic, John Ashe], Colonels Dashier [? possibly Col. Peter Dauge?] & Gee [Lt. Col. Drury Geel & Captain Dawson [Henry Dawson], that he got a discharge from his Officer for this tour of duty but has long since lost it. That in March 1781 he again served the other three months tour of duty under General Butler [John Butler], Colonels Hill [Whitmell Hill] & Linsey & Captain Philips [Exum Phillips], that he started from Halifax County went through Orange and Guilford Counties, was three months on this tour & got a discharge from his Captain but which he has long since lost. He states that in the interim between his Campaign of 1776 to his last Campaign in 1781 he belonged to a Volunteer Company & held himself always in readiness to perform any duty he might be required to do in the service of his Country. The Officers under whom he was enrolled as a volunteer were Colonel Hart [Lt. Col. Henry Hart] & Captain Bell [Frederick Bell] & often went in Scouting Parties a few days at a time against the Tories. That he regularly attended the Muster, properly equipped and ready for active duty. He states that he has no documentary Testimony relative to his services, & he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. His place of Residence is now in the County of Weakley State of Tennessee.

He hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. Sworn in open court. S/Wm. Johnson, Clerk

S/ Kinchen Killebrew, X his mark

[Samuel McGowan, a clergyman, and Thomas L. Daniel gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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² Jethro Sumner was an officer in the Halifax, NC, militia before he was an officer in the NC Continental Line

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 15 days in the North Carolina militia.]