

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Kindle S2705

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

Answers of William Kindle to the queries of the Honble the Secretary of the Treasury of the U. S. of the 12th Dec'r 1831 hereto annexed

- 1<sup>st</sup> I enlisted at Albemarle Barracks, Virginia, under Capt. John Porter, when Gen'l Burgoyne's troops were prisoners at said Barracks the date not recollected [sic: Burgoyne's army surrendered at Saratoga 17 Oct 1777 and brought to Albemarle Barracks Jan 1779].
1. I served as a guard at said Barracks nearly three years, when I enlisted a second time at the same place, during the War, but do not recollect under whom the second enlistment took place – Was at the Capture of Gen'l Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], and was afterwards marched to Savannah in Georgia and remained there as a guard during the Summer and was marched back to Virginia and discharged at the close of the War but when, where and by whom I have forgotten
- I have also forgotten of whom I received the certificate for the reward of Eighty Dollars. Witness my hand the 7th Feby 1832
- William hisXmark Kindle

State of Tennessee } September Term 1832

Green County } On this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Samuel Powel now sitting as a Court of Law &

Equity in and for the County of Green William Kindle aged seventy two years resident in said County & State doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 that he entered the service of the United under the following named officers and served as herein stated, towit. that in the year 1776 and previous thereto he resided in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County State of Virginia & after the Capture of Burgoyne, and the transfer of the prisoners to Albamarle Barrecks, he enlisted under Capn Porter (as he thinks) of the 2<sup>d</sup> Regement of Virginia troops (or line) in Culpepper County to go on duty to the Albamarle Barricks during the keeping up of that Barrecks for the prisoners, and was stationed at said place as one of the guard under said Porter his Conl. at the Barricks he disremembers but thinks (Gasscon [see endnote]) He there continued in service until the Barricks was abandoned & the prisoners taken to Winchester being about the term of two years, and then enlisted a second time at the Albamarle Barricks in the fall of the year 1778 [sic] for the war under Captain [Abraham] Kirkpatrick of the second Regiment of the Virginia line as well as now remembered, and was marched to the South near the North Carolina line & there joined the main army under General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, Feb or Mar 1781], and was frequently marched from point to point in the Carolinas, watching the movements of Cornwallis but was in no general engagement until the seige of little york when & where Cornwallis surrendered [19 Oct 1781], in which Seige this declarant was. That after the seige of little york the army under the command of [Gen. Anthony] Wayne returned to the South again and was stationed at Savannah during the ensuing Summer after the seige of York in order to keep the British from makeing inroads in to the Country and continued in garrison at Savannah until the British retreated and finally evacuated the Country and was marched back to Virginia & discharged by his Cap'n Kirkpatrick as well as now recollected It was omitted to be stated in the foregoing in the proper order that declarant was in the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], before the march to the South, but was marched to the North & was in the said battle of Brandywine. That he has lost his discharge by reason of haveing sold his land claim passing away his discharge to the purchaser to obtain it since when he has never seen it. Said sale was made to John Broyles & the discharge of declarant passed to him. That he has no documentary evidence except the affoidavits which was formerly attached to his claim filed in the State department under the act of 1828 which he believes is in the State department with his claim there

rejected – that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. 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 in open Court this 5th September 1832.

William hisXmark Kindle

State of Tennessee Perry County Ss —

On this ninth day of April in the year eighteen hundred and thirty eight before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for the said county of Perry William Kindle personally appeared before me who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain John Porter in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Askins in the service of the United States that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Tennessee that he formerly resided in Green county East Tennessee from whence he has lately removed that he now resides in Perry County in the Western District of said state of Tennessee where he intends to remain and wishes his pension to be payable in future at the Town of Jackson in said Western District

The following are his reasons for removing from Green County aforesaid to the said county of Perry. He the said William Kindle has only one Son living and that Son, to wit, George Kindle resides in said county of Perry. The said William Kindle is now about eighty four years of age and is in helpless and infirm state & condition and he now resides and wishes to remain with his said son in order to have his care and protection in his old age his infirm state and declining years

Wm hisXmark Kindle

#### NOTES:

Kindle appears to have been under the impression that his Colonel at Albemarle Barracks was Thomas Gaskins. The Colonel during most of the period was Francis Taylor.

Michael Broyles, Sr. (pension application S3052) stated that he knew Kindle before and after he enlisted and that he served under “Colonel Hammilton of the Second Regiment,” and saw Kindle “Returning home with his napsack on his back.”

A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: W’m. Kindal, age 19, height 5’ 7½”, light hair, gray eyes, fair complexion, farmer, residing in Culpeper County, born in Prince William County, enlisted at Albemarle as a substitute on 20 Mar 1781 for 18 months, sized on 9 Apr 1781. Formerly served two years in “S. G R” [State Guard Regiment].