Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Kinnard S32360 Transcribed by Will Graves f17SC 10/21/09: rev'd 4/21/16

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State of Alabama Marengo County: SS

On this the 8th day of October A.D. 1833 personally appeared before the Honorable Sion L. Perry presiding Judge of the Circuit Court of the County and State aforesaid John Kinnard a resident of the said County of Marengo and State of Alabama aged sixty-nine years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 --

That he was drafted to serve three months as a militia man in the Army of the United States in the month of December in the year 1779 -- that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain William Taylor, and served in a Regiment the number of which he does not now recollect, commanded by Colonel Hammonds [probably LeRoy Hammond] -- that he was living at that time he was drafted in Newberry district in the State of South Carolina -- that during all the time of the three months for which he was drafted he remained at a place called Hammonds station on the Saluda River and within the limits of said district of Newberry -- that during this period he was not engaged in any battle or skirmish -- and that at the expiration of his term of service the company to which he was attached was disbanded, and he returned home, without receiving any written discharge --

That he resided in said district of Newberry from the time of his discharge until the month of June in the year 1781 at which time he was again drafted -- that he was at this time attached to a company of which John Leviston¹ was Captain and that he served in a brigade commanded by General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] -- he does not recollect the number of the Regiment in which he served nor the names of the officers commanding it. That immediately upon his being drafted at this time he was marched from Newberry district to a point called Bacon's bridge on Ashley River, in the neighborhood of Charleston that he remained at this point during all the term of three months, the time for which he was drafted except when he was sent on scouting parties -- that while out on several scouting parties he was engaged in small skirmishes with the enemy, but that he did not fight in any regular battle -- that upon the expiration of the three months for which he was drafted, the company to which he belonged was disbanded and he again returned home without receiving any written discharge -- and that he served altogether as a drafted militia man six months.

That he was born in the County of Antrim in Ireland, in the month of December of the

¹ Bobby Gilmer Moss lists his man as John Liveston.

year 64 as he has been informed by his parents as he himself believes -- that he has no documentary evidence of the time of his birth -- that he emigrated thence to the said district of Newberry in the State of South Carolina at about the age of three years -- that he resided there up to the time at which he was drafted as aforesaid -- that after the conclusion of the revolutionary war he still resided in the same district until the year 1821 at which time he removed to the County of Marengo in the State of Alabama where he has resided up to the present time. --

That he does not know of any person now living by whom he can prove his services as a Soldier in the Army of the revolution -- that he is known to John Curry and Thomas Curry who all respectable Citizens in his neighborhood, who can testify to his character for veracity, and who believe him to have [been] a soldier in the revolutionary war, -- he is also known to Hugh McPhail -- a licensed minister of the gospel who can testify to the same facts. --

This affiant hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any State.

John Kinney

S/ John Kinnard

Sworn and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid

S/T. Ringgold, Clerk

[Hugh McPhail, a clergyman, John Curry and Thomas Curry gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the South Carolina militia.]