Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Kindred S4476 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Tennessee Morgan County:

On this 15 day of October 1832 Personally appeared before the worshipful Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting it being a Court of Record, Thomas Kindred a resident Citizen of the County of Morgan and State of Tennessee aged 72 agreeable to information having no record of his age who being duly sworn according to law do on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under Captain James Harris in Albemarle County Virginia some time in the month of August he thinks it was in the year 1777 he marched from Albemarle to serve a three months Tower [tour] as a drafted militia. He stood in the first number agreeable to enrollment they marched to Goochland County, through Henrico to Richmond Town thence to Williamsburg and thence to Hampton Town through little York and finally marched back to Albemarle County from where they started and was dismissed from service and had no written discharge but was honorably dismissed having fulfilled his Tower in a short time thereafter he moved to Goochland County still Virginia, and was there enrolled by Colonel John Woodson and it came his Turn again at the time Traitor Arnold [Benedict Arnold] invaded Richmond. He served that Tower under Major Robert Armsted [Robert Armistead] we Joined other Troops at the Mobbin Hills [Malvern Hills], he serv'd part of said Tour under General Nelson [Thomas Nelson we joined him [at] Williamsburg it was there he was put under Robert Armsted we camped at a place called Armsted's Mill some time he marched to many places and was finally honorably discharged having served his Tower had no written discharge and he then returned home to Goochland County, and some time thereafter the precise time not recollected he was called on agreeable to his Turn and marched off under Colonel Morris, his first name not recollected, the name of his Captain he cannot recollect, marched through [indecipherable word] Henrico and stayed a while at 4 mile creek thence to Charles City County thence James City and finally to little York and there continued until the surrender of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. He states that he had three brothers in the Siege at York, to wit, William Kindred, Bartholomew Kindred and Edward Kindred. He states that he was himself honorably dismissed at Little York after the surrender of C. Wallis but had no written discharge and his other brothers marched off guarding Cornwallis and his men, these three Towers making nine months servitude. He further states that between the second and last Tower already mentioned that he was twice called on and pressing necessity wants to move the Country Stores from Henrico Country [sic] to keep them from being taken by the enemy and also to remove arms and many other things at the other time was engaged in moving the magazine from the

foundry at Westham on James River and carrying them to a safe place at these Two periods of service he was engaged at least one month he done this Service by order of Militia officer and was not hired this making in the whole ten months. He states that he has no documentary [evidence] evidencing his Services, and knows of no person by whom he can prove his service, that there would any chance of getting the evidence of, he states that he was born in England in the part called Northumberland and his father and family moved to Albemarle County Virginia in the year 1774 and lived on the land of Thomas Jefferson when he was called into service. After the war was over he moved back to Albemarle County and lived there until about 24 years ago, he then moved to Roan [Roane] County Tennessee and has lived in Roan in Morgan County in said state ever since.

He hereby relinquishes it every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the Pension roll of the Agency of any state. Sworn to in open Court

Attest:

S/ John Brown, DC

S/ Thomas Kindred

Thomas Kindres

[Major Shadrach Stephens and Colonel Samuel Scott gave the standard supporting affidavit

State of Tennessee Morgan County: On this the 29th day of April 1833 personally appeared before me Thomas Jack one of the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Morgan aforesaid which is a court of Record Thomas Kindred of the Aforesaid and after being duly sworn according to law upon his oath makes the following amendment to his original first Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of June 7th 1832.

He states that the first Tower spoken of in his first declaration he served and under Captain James Harris as therein stated having no higher officer not being Joined to any Larger force; or body of men,

and as to his second Tower he marched off from Goochland County under Captain Elisha Leak of said County and went on to Richmond Virginia and then to the Mobbin Hills [Malvern Hills] and there he and the company to which he belonged was embodied and put under Colonel Wilson – Nicholas of Albemarle County said State he marched under said officers to Williamsburg, stayed there a short time and there joined General Nelson's Army, applicant was then chosen out from his said company and put under Major Robert Armsted of Hanover County to go on before the main body of the Army he served out the whole remaining part of said Tower under said Major Robert Armstead which was much the largest portion of said Tower: and being with his first officers but a small part of the Tower he omitted to mention his first officers in his former Declaration; and being now old not so quick of salt and memory as he has been;

As to the third mentioned Tower in his said former Declaration including the Siege at York at the time Lord Cornwallis surrendered, applicant now recollects that Captain Stokely Toles [Stokely Towles] was his Captain; he is still at a loss to know the first name of Colonel Morris that he served under said Tower; these three Towers making nine months Service as stated in his first Declaration, being a private soldier.

And as to the two small periods of service that applicant performed was performed in hasty emergencies in moving the arms and magazine that was done between the previous

mentioned Towers and amounts to one month's service as stated in the first Declaration a private soldier. Applicant done the same at the instance and order of Colonel John Woodson not having any officers with them in doing the same applicant submits to the proper Tribunal at the war Department whether said month's service should regulate and be considered, in fixing the proper amount of his Pension he had rather relinquish said month that have his business delayed,

This applicant positively states that it was out of his power to get the Evidence of clergyman to testify as to his veracity and reputation as a soldier of the revolution there being no clergyman in any place within or near the vicinity of applicant; and is still out of his power for the same reason. Applicant has a great many acquaintance in his County and believes he can prove his character for veracity and reputation as a soldier of the revolution by Albert Hurt, Thomas Scott, Colonel Thomas Staples, Mikel Stincipher, Captain Garrett Hall being his neighbors and in fact by all the respectable part of his acquaintance, this applicant has lately received a great injury from a fall and has no doubt he will remain a cripple the small remainder of his life for that cause is now unable to attend a court of record.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/Thomas Jack, JP

S/ Thomas Kindred, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the Virginia service.]