

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Kent ¹R15583

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Lancaster County Virginia

The deposition of John Lowry taken this 21st day of January 1833 – The said Lowry deposeseth and saith that he knew Daniel Kent that he entered in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in the year 1776 as an Ensign in the Virginia State Line (to the best of his knowledge) and continued in the service to the close of the war as a commissioned Officer.

And further this deponent saith not

S/ John Lowry

This is to certify That it appears from a list in this office of such officers and soldiers of the Virginia State Line during the Revolutionary War as settled their accounts, and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of Assembly passed the November Session 1781 – that a certificate issued on the 21st day of May 1784 in the name of Daniel Kent as an Ensign of infantry for £108.16.2 – which certificate appears to have been delivered to Colonel Gaskins.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office, Richmond, this 20th day of February 1833

S/ James E Heath, Auditor

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I certify that in an old Book in this office, in which are sundry entries of the sales of merchandise is found the following entry to wit –

Issued to Mr. John Blackwell for the following officers of the state Garrison, to wit – Colonel Muter, Colonel Porterfield, Major Mazarett, Captain Drew, Captain Keely – Lieutenant Davenport, Bryan, Vaughan, Manor & Kennedy Dunbars and Ensigns Rose & Kent, 6 months allowance of Tea 20 ½ pounds – which entry bears date in 1780

I further certify that in an old Ledger in this office (Green Book page 176) there is the following entry, to wit

"Sundries Do to the Commonwealth Ensign Daniel Kent for cash received of G. W. 25th June 1778 – to recruit for Garrison Battalion – £90: which entry bears date 11 February, 1779

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 11th February 1779 [sic,

¹ Va. Half Pay

March 4th, 1833]

S/ Jas. E. Heath, Aud.

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This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 21st day of May 1784 in the name of Daniel Kent as Ens. Inf. and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £108.16.2, delivered to Colonel Gaskins but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
21st day of October 1853.

S/ Ro Johnston
First Auditor

[No Seal of Office]

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At Lancaster County [Virginia] court June 17th 1833 –

It is ordered that the Order made the 18th of March last relative to the Heirs of Daniel Kent deceased be amended in this "that Daniel Kent and Ensign in the Virginia line in the Revolutionary war died intestate, and that no original will of Daniel Kent or any Copy of any such well was ever proved or offered for probate in this County and that Judith Currell daughter of the said Daniel Kent, Frances A. B. and Jane W. R. Edmonds children of Jane W Edmonds who was a daughter of Daniel Kent, and Daniel Kent son of John Kent who was a son [of] Daniel Kent are the only heirs at law of the said Daniel Kent.

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Lancaster County [Virginia] Court November Term 1845

It is ordered to be certified that it is proved to the satisfaction of the Court that Daniel Kent who was an Ensign in the Virginia line died intestate in Lancaster County about the year 1811 leaving a son and daughters to wit – Judith, John and Jane, his only heirs at law. The said heirs died intestate in Lancaster County leaving their sons and daughters, Ann B. Currell, William Currell, John Y. Currell, Sarah L. Currell, Mary K. Currell and Jane Edmonds Haseltine Kent.

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Teste:

S/ Ro. T. Dunaway, C. C.

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 5-page file

[Note: This file contains what appears to be the original of the affidavit given by John Lowry January 21, 1833 as transcribed above and the certificate given by James E Heath, Auditor, also as transcribed above.]