

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Kelly R5843

Jane Kelly

f17GA

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The State of Mississippi Jasper County: This day personally appeared before me John J. Williams Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County Mary Hanner and after being sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following statement that Jane Hanner her daughter was lawfully married to Jacob Kelly in the State of Georgia in Washington County in the year of our Lord 1791. Sworn to and subscribed to before me John Williams Judge of probate of Jasper County May the 23rd A.D. 1846.

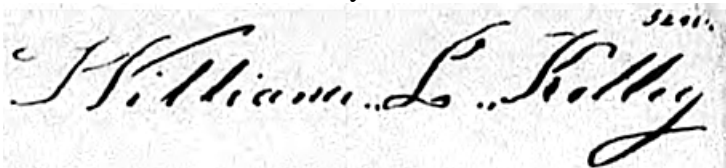
S/ Mary Hanner, X her mark

The State of Mississippi Jasper County: this day personally appeared before me John Williams Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County William L. Kelly Senior and after being duly sworn depose and saith that My Father Jacob Kelly told me that he served as a private Soldier under Colonel Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] at the Siege of Augusta¹ in the State of Georgia and that the American Army fled from the siege to the Mountains for refuge and that the Americans suffered for hunger and had nothing to eat but grapes and chickpeas also he told me that he served all through the Revolutionary War of the United States against Great Britain My Father Jacob Kelly also told [me] that he was a volunteer at the commencement of the war [and] continued to remain a volunteer all through Revolutionary War.

Sworn to and subscribed to before made this 13th day of July A.D. 1846

S/ J. J. Williams, Judge of Probate Court of Jasper County

S/ William L. Kelley, Sr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William L. Kelley". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Kelley".

The State of Mississippi Jasper County: This day personally appeared William L. Kelly Senior and saith on oath that Jacob Kelly's death was in the month of August 1835 --

Attest:

S/ William L. Kelley, Senior

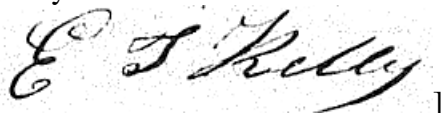
S/ J. J. Williams, JP JC

¹ presumably a reference to the 1st Siege of Augusta <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800914-augusta/>

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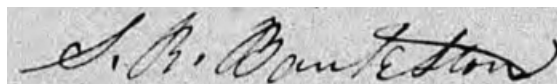
The State of Mississippi Jasper County: On this 27th day of July A.D. 1846 personally appeared before the undersigned Judge of the probate Court in and for said County Jane Kelly a resident of the State of Mississippi in the County of Jasper aged seventy or seventy-two years of age who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July the 7th A.D. 1838 granting half pay and pensions to certain widows -- That she is the widow of Jacob Kelly who was I believe a private soldier. She further declares that she was married to the said Jacob Kelly in the year of our Lord A.D. 1791 and that her husband the aforesaid Jacob Kelly died in August A.D. 1835 and that she was not married prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the 1st of January 1794 viz. at the time above -- Stated, Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me in open Court
S/ JJ Williams, Judge of the Probate Court of Jasper County
S/ Jane Kelly, X her mark

[p 7 is a power of attorney dated August 21, 1854 granted by E. T. Kelly, son of Jacob and Jane Kelly.

Handwritten signature of E. T. Kelly in cursive script, followed by a closing bracket.]

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The State of Mississippi Jasper County: This day personally appeared before me John J. Williams Judge of the Probate court in and for said County S. R. Bankston and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith that Jacob Kelly told me that he served as a soldier in the Army of the Revolution under Colonel Clarke at the Siege of Augusta in the State of Georgia and that the Americans fled from the State of Georgia in a direction for North Carolina and that he fell in company with my grandfather old Simon Awtry [sic, Simon Autry?] and at the skirmish with the British near Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780]² Awtry was killed and he further stated that he was in the service nearly all the time the war lasted.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th of July 1846.
S/ JJ Williams, Judge of the probate court of Jasper County
S/ S. R. Bankston

Handwritten signature of S. R. Bankston in cursive script.

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The State of Mississippi Jasper County: This day personally appeared before me John J. Williams Judge of the probate Court in and for said County, Thomas Bankston Senior,³ and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith that Jacob Kelly in my opinion was at the Siege of Augusta and that Jacob Kelly was a good Whig and an honest man, and I have been acquainted with the aforesaid Jacob Kelly for a term of time say 40 years or something like that time a short time before his death I did not live near him; and he served as a private soldier under Colonel Clarke

² http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_kings_mountain.html

³ [Thomas Bankston R477](#)

in the State of Georgia I think Jacob Kelly entered the service about the year 1779 and that he march through the State of Georgia or rather fled from Augusta in a direction from North Carolina; and I believe he continued in the service during the war except the time myself & him was prisoners; Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of July 1846

S/JJ Williams, Judge of the probate court of Jasper County

S/ Thomas Bankston, Senior, X his mark