

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Keysacker R5899

f16VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

11/21/13

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Indiana Crawford County: Sct.

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Samuel Fall the president Judge and Henry Greer Esquire his Associates Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford & State of Indiana now sitting George Keysacker a resident of Union Township in said County & State aged 74 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he was drafted into the service in Barkley [Berkeley] County in Virginia for the Term of three months but served full four months; being retained in service for the arrival of other recruits; but before other forces arrived Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781]; that he belonged to a company commanded by Captain \_\_ Jarrett; Major Scott, Colonel \_\_ Dark [William Darke]; that the adjutant's name was Henry Bitinger [Henry Bedinger]; it was about the beginning of Harvest in 1781 when he entered the service, and that he was discharged in Winchester Virginia by his Captain \_\_ Jarrett that a discharge was given by the Captain which deponent left with his brother Aron Keysacker in Bartley County Virginia & that his said brother has departed this life and he cannot obtain any information of his discharge; the time when he was discharged declarant does not recollect; That in marching to head quarters deponent with others of the same company were detailed to superintend the transportation of troops baggage &c of the American Army across the ferries of Pamunkey and Mattaponi Rivers; and that he remained there until the British prisoners taken at Little York were marched up to Winchester owing to that circumstance he became acquainted with but few of the regular officers; that he ferried General Washington and went across the Pamunkey River when passing from the lower part of Pennsylvania to join the Army at Little York. That he was a citizen of Bartley County Virginia at the time he entered the service and that Colonel Stark's Regiment marched from Martinsburg Bartley courthouse through a corner of Frederick County then through Loudoun and so on to near Richmond where Dark's Regiment joined some regular troops, but does not recollect the names of the officers who commanded the regular troops as he was stopped at the Pamunkey River – he has no documentary evidence of his services – That Barney Miller<sup>1</sup> who is

---

<sup>1</sup> [Barney Miller S16973](#)

his brother in law a citizen of [indecipherable word]<sup>2</sup> County Kentucky who is now here in court knows of his serving as before stated – that he is informed that Frederick Claycomb<sup>3</sup> who lives in Vincennes Indiana and George Paul<sup>4</sup> who is a citizen of Kentucky and all of whom deponent is informed are on the pension roll know of his serving as herein stated – his sister the wife of Barney Miller before named and said Barney Miller, Paul & Claycomb are the only persons known to deponent who have any knowledge of his services. He recollects there was a family register of his name and age, but what became of it after the death of his father he does not know

–  
He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state or territory.

S/ George Keysacker, X his mark

[James Glenn, a clergyman, and John Seaton and John Bullock gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Barney Miller who is a citizen of Breckenridge County Kentucky states that he married Mary Keysacker the sister of George Keysacker the applicant for a pension as herein before stated; that he lived in Bartley County Virginia in 1781 was drafted in the same company with the said George Keysacker and knows that he marched with the Regiment commanded by Colonel Dark until they reached the Pamunkey River where said George Keysacker was detailed to superintend the boats at the ferry – that he served in the line and one of the guard over the British prisoners from York to Winchester where he was discharged and that he marched home before said George Keysacker.

Sworn & subscribed in open court April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1834

Test: S/ E. E. Morgan, Clk.

S/ Barney Miller, X his mark

[Note: In correspondence in the file veteran is referred to as George Keysucker. Veteran is said to have died sometime in 1851 at his residence then in Indiana leaving 3 heirs, their names and relationships not stated in the documents in this file.]

---



<sup>2</sup> [said to be Breckenridge]

<sup>3</sup> [Frederick Claycomb S16083](#)

<sup>4</sup> [George S. Paul W5471](#)