

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Kibby R5905

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County of Union }

On this 20th day of July 1835 personally appeared before the Union County Court Joseph Kibby a resident of Union County and State of Kentucky aged seventy two 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the army of the United States in the month of June 1781 as a substitute for James Harbad [James Herbert?] in the militia company of Capt Edward Manges or [Edward] Mangers in St Marys County and State of Maryland. That in the said month of June 1781 he joined said militia company at Leonard Town [Leonardtwn] in St Marys county Maryland. Benjamin Cross was Lieutenant and [first name blank] Amerca Ensign – that he was marched with the Company to Anapolis [sic: Annapolis] where they were joined by Capt Gaither militia company – from Anapolis the two companies were marched to George Town [Georgetown] where they joined a militia company from Charles County and Prince Georges County the captains names not recollected and at George Town Maj’r Ozberry [probably Alexander Roxburgh] took the command of the three companies – that his Capt. Manger or Mangers and Ozbury were frenchmen. We were then marched by Maj Ozbury to Dumfries, from there to Williamsburg where they were halted for a few days – when an express arrived and they were marched rapidly to Little York, where they were placed under the command of Gen’l [Mordecai] Gist and belonged to the 4th Maryland Regiment, the Col’s name not recollected – that he with the company to which he belonged were constantly employed in carrying on the seige of York and were stationed on the left wing of the main American army – the french troops were on their left – that he continued there till the surrender of Cornwallis the last of October or early in November 1781 [sic: 19 Oct 1781] – that after the surrender, he with a part of his company and a part of the Company from Prince Georges County remained at Little York for sometime to guard a part of the British prisoners who were too sick to be moved, in a week or more they were crossed over to Gloster [sic: Gloucester] to which place most of the sick prisoners had been moved – from Gloster he marched with the prisoners to Fredericksburg that Sergeant John King of his company and from his County had the command of the parts of the two companies and of the prisoners – they left prisoners at Fredericksburg and were marched to Alexandria, then to Georgetown, then to Anapolis where a few days before Christmas he received his discharge for six months, having been a few days over six months in the service – that his discharge has been lost – that he has no record of his age, that he was born in St Marys County Maryland in 1763 according to the best information he has – that he lived in St Marys County when he joined the service, that he lived in Maryland till the year 1805 when he moved to Kentucky and has lived in Kentucky ever since and for the last fifteen years he has lived in Union County – that he entered the service as a substitute for James Harbard who had been drafted as before stated. The names of the officers recollected are given above – he did receive a discharge signed by Penkney [Pinckney?] he thinks what has become of it he does not recollect – that he does not know of one person now living with whom he served and by whom he could prove his services – that Jeremiah Harbard or Hurbert [Jeremiah Herbert, pension application W9061] of Washington County Kentucky was the last of the company living that he knew of – that this affiant proved the service of said Harbard and had expected to have obtained his testimony in support of his claim, but Harbard was carried off with Cholera a few years ago before this affiant obtained his testimony – that Stouton Edwards who died a few years ago in Daviess County also served with this affiant – that their declarations of his service will be added. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Joseph hisXmark Kibby

NOTE: Kibby's claim was rejected because he supposedly served less than six months, although there is no explanation in the file as to how that was determined.