

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Kidds (Kidd) R5908

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State of North Carolina on Lincoln County: County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions July Sessions 1832

On this 18th day of July 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court aforesaid John Kidds a resident of the County of Lincoln in the State aforesaid aged Seventy-four 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 enlisted in the Army of the United States in the years 1782 with Captain Carter [Benjamin Carter] and in the Regiment, number not recollected, of the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment and served under the following officers – That he enlisted at Charlotte for eighteen months & served under Captain Carter, the Regiment commanded by Colonel Little [sic, probably Archibald Lytle], under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]; and after enlisting he remained at Charlotte a few weeks, till some prisoners were brought & then acted as a guard over them to Ashley Hill in the State of South Carolina where he joined the Army and was marched from there to James Island near Charleston, South Carolina and remained there in the Army till about the seventh or eighth of June 1783, when he was marched to the ten mile house above Charleston, & at that place the 10th day of June 1783, he received a writing that he might return home, but to be in readiness to go into service whenever afterwards called on. That he was once afterwards called on by General Polk to go in to service some months afterwards, but was not marched off. That he was in actual service ten months & ten days, and always held himself in readiness to be in service when called on, during the time of his enlistment, and the paper of his discharge has been destroyed, it being torn & worn out.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

S/ John Kidds, X his mark

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State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that John Kidds a private Soldier in Captain Carter's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted in 1782 for the term of 18 months, and that nothing else is said of him on said rolls.

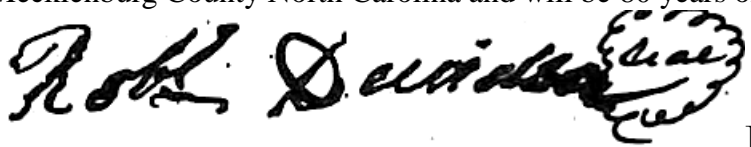
Given under my hand this 27th day of November 1832.

S/ Wm Hill

[p 13: NC, Gaston County, August 26, 1848, Catherine Kidds, age 92, filed for a widow's pension stating that her husband died on July 16, 1848; and that her husband was a pensioner at the rate of \$53.33/annum on March 4, 1831.. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 10: On November 14, 1848 in Lincoln County North Carolina, Jane Ballard gave testimony that she is the 3rd child of John and Catherine Kidds; that she was 15 years and 6 months old when she married Benjamin Ballard in May 1806; that her mother is now 92 years of age. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 8: On November 16, 1848 in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, Robert Davidson Senior gave testimony that he was acquainted with John and Catherine Kidds [sic] about 65 years ago in Mecklenburg County North Carolina where they lived together as man and wife; that they thereafter moved into Lincoln County and lived with or about Captain Alexander Brevard's; that John Kidds was reputed to have been a revolutionary war pensioner. That affiant was born in Mecklenburg County North Carolina and will be 80 years old on April 7th next.

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[p 4: On June 25, 1851 in Walker County Alabama, Andrew Kidd filed a power of attorney in which he refers to himself as the only heir of John Kidd, a revolutionary war pensioner.

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[In addition, the following transcription was found on the internet but the underlying documents are not in either the Fold3.com or the HeritageQuest versions of the pension files. Perhaps the transcriber found the underlying documents in the local court records of Lincoln County, NC.

State of North Carolina, Lincoln County: Superior Court of Law April Term 1828

On this 2nd day of April 1829 personally in open court being a Court of record for the County of Lincoln aforesaid John Kidd resident in said County aged Seventy years on 2nd May next who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 That he the said John Kidd enlisted for the Term of eighteen months about the first of August but in what age he cannot State but believes it to be about the year 1781 in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain Carter in the regiment commanded by Colonel Little in the line of the State of North Carolina on the continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said corpse until 10th day of June in the next year after his enlistment when he received a furlough from Col. Little in South Carolina about ten miles from Charleston, but to be in readiness when called upon again except once by Genl. Polk, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any State except North Carolina and that the following are the reasons for not making an earlier application for a pension. That heretofore he thought himself able to make a support for himself and wife but now from his advanced age & sickness he finds himself unable to labour so as to make a support, and in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof

with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself under the provision of an act of Congress entitled, an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me nor have I any income other than is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed. That since the 18th of March 1818 no change has taken place in my property except in the killing such part of my small stock as was used for support. John (X) Kidds A List of John Kidds Property 1 Shot gun \$ 5.00 1 horse creature valued at \$50 2 bells 1 basket 50.75 1 Cow & yearling-11 at 1 pot rack 4 spoons 11.50

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KIDDS,JOHN (Cont'd) 2 Sows & seven pigs 5-50 at \$ 6.50 2 beds 7 furniture 10 at 1 chest & - Crunlet- 14.62 1/2 1 Walnut table 3 at 1 do 1 at is 4.00 4 sitting chairs at 1.50 1 spinning wheel 1.25 2.75 1 large pot 2 1 oven 1 skillet 2.50 1 baking pan and a mortar 7.00 1 set cups 7 sucers 1.25 1 flat iron 1.75 1/2 doz plates delf 3 old pewter do 1.00 1 Dish 12 1/2 Tin cups & coffy pot 1.02 1/2 1 mans saddle 15 2 locks .75 15.00 1 axe 1.50 & shovel plough 1 bull tongue 1 pair of traces & harnes- 3.75 2 weeding hoe 1 sprouting hoe 1.25 1 stock l churn & 1 pale & old barrels 1.50 ----- \$129.50

That his family consists of himself & his wife about seventy three years of age - that his occupation is that of a farmer

John (X) Kidd

Petitioner further swears that he is justly indebted to the executors of John Brevard about ten dollars by note and the firm of Burton & Clayton about eighteen dollars ninety sents John (X) Kidd

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court April 20th 1829 (signed) L Henderson Clk

State of North Carolina) Lincoln County) I Law ____ Henderson Clerk of Lincoln Superior Court of Law do hereby certify that it appears to the satisfaction of the court that the said John Kidds did serve in the Revolutionary War. (as stated in the preceding declaration) against the common enemy for the time of nine months under an engagement on the continental establishment. I also certify that the foregoing oath and the schedule thereto annexed are truly copied from the records of the same Court, and I do further certify that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the foregoing schedule is one hundred and twenty nine dollars fifty cents. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and offered the seal of said Court on this 26th day of April 1829

(Signed) Lewis Henderson Clerk of Lincoln Superour Court of Law

Lincoln County P. & Q.S. Ct. July Sessions 1829 Declaration in order to be placed on the Pension List under the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818. State of North Carolina) Lincoln County) On this 23rd day of July 1829 personally in open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Lincoln aforesaid John Kidd Resident in Said County aged seventy two years 2nd day of May next, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Provisions made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & 1st day of May, 1820. That he the said John Kidd enlisted for the term of eighteen months, about the 1st of August in the year 1782 in the State of North Carolina in the Company Commanded by Capt Carter in the Regt. Commanded by Col. Little in the Line of State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment that he Continued to Serve in the Said Corps until the 10th day of June in the next year after his enlistment when he Received a furlow from Col Little in South Carolina about ten miles from Charleston, but to be in Readiness when Called

upon again except one by Genl. Polk he never was Called upon thereafter that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the Roll of any State except No. Carolina & that the following are the Reasons for not making Earlier application for a pension that heretofore he thought himself able to make a support for himself & wife but now from his advanced age & Sickness he feels himself unable to labour so as to make a Support & in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do Solemnly Swear that I was a Resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 & that I have not since that time, by gift Sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for Certain persons engaged in the Land and naval Services of the United States in the Revolutionary war passed on this 18th March 1818 & that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or Securities Contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is Contained in the Schedule hereto annexed, & by me Subscribed that Since the 18th of March 1818 no Change has taken place in my property except in the killing Such part of my small Stock as was used for Support-

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That his family Consists of himself & wife about Seventy three years of age that his occupation is that of a farmer Johr. (X) Kidds Petitioner further swears that he is Justly indebted to to the Executors of John F. Brevard about ten dollars by note & the firm of Burton & Clayton about \$18.90 sworn to & subscribed in open Court July 23rd 1829, John (X) Kidds

Vardry McBee, Clerk of Said Court State of North Carolina) Lincoln County) I Vardry McBee Clerk of Lincoln County Court of pleas & quarter Sessions do hereby Certify that it appears to the Satisfaction of the Court that the said John Kidds did serve in the Revolutionary as stated in the preceding declaration against the Common enemy for the term of nine months under one engagement on the Continental establishment. I also Certify that the foregoing oaths the schedule thereto annexed are truly Copied from the Records of the Said Court & I do further Certify that it is the opinion of the Said Court that the total amount in Value of the property exhibited in the foregoing schedule is one hundred & twenty nine dollars & fifty Cents. In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & affixed the Seal

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KIDD, JOHN (Cont'd) of the Said Court on the 23rd day of July 1829. (signed) Vardry McBee C.C.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 16 months in the North Carolina Continental line.]