

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Kline R6004

Elizabeth Kline

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State of Virginia County of Hampshire Sct.

On this 26 day of May A.D. 1854 personally appeared before me [name written over and illegible] a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Hampshire in the State of Virginia duly commissioned and sworn and qualified to administer oaths according to law Philip Kline administrator of Philip Kline deceased who was a soldier in the war of the Revolution. The said Administrator of said Philip Kline deceased makes oath for the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832 for the benefit of soldiers of the Revolutionary war &c, and says that Philip Kline was a soldier in said Revolutionary war and served a period as a soldier in a Company commanded by one Captain ___ Bell. That he started from said County of Frederick in the State of Virginia in or about the ___ of the year 1780 and proceeded to Winchester Virginia and there joined the company commanded by Captain ___ Bell and marched in defense of his Country. That he continued in the service of the United Colonies against Great Britain until after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at York Town Virginia in October 1781 and performed a period of service for upwards of one year as a soldier in the Revolutionary Army as aforesaid and under General George Washington. Said Philip Kline may have been transferred from Captain ___ Bell's Company to other commands. Your declarant states that said Captain ___ Bell commanded a Company in the Continental or State line or Militia of Virginia. This declarant states that by his attorney he had the rolls at Richmond Virginia examined for the name of Philip Kline and was answered, that said Philip Kline's name did not appear on the rolls of the Continental or State line, but that the rolls were in a bad condition and could not be relied on, and especially the rolls of the Militia in the second Auditors Office nothing could be found. Under these circumstances your declarant has thought it proper to accompany this declaration with the best evidence this case at this distant day will admit, and office as evidence the affidavit of Anthony Kline and others who of their own knowledge know that said Philip Kline did leave the County for the purposes above stated, and well remembers the return of the said Philip Kline after the service performed as aforesaid. He states that said Philip Kline married one Elizabeth Switcher in the year 1791 in the County of Hampshire in the State of Virginia and had by this said marriage the following children who are now living – namely Joseph, Mary, Daniel, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Abraham, Barbara, Philip [.,?] John, Michael and Eva children by said marriage. That the said Philip Kline died in the County of Hampshire in the State of Virginia on or about the 23rd day of June 1842. That the said Elizabeth Kline his wife yet survives him and that this declarant Philip Kline is the Administrator of said Philip Kline deceased a copy of which administration is here with attached. Your

declarant asked that ample search be made in the Departments records for the services of said Philip Kline as aforesaid, and if nothing found to [indecipherable word]¹ the proofs hereto attached the pension which would be due to said Philip Kline if now living, said administrator as to be paid to him as administrator as aforesaid for distribution as the law directs in such cases made and provided.

Philip Kline
Administrator of
Philip Kline deceased

Witnesses

William H Frank

Jackson Frank

[attested May 26, 1854 by Samuel Milslagle [?], JP]

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State of Virginia County of Frederick Sct.

On this 9th day of June 1854 personally appeared before him me Mager Steel [??] a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid duly qualified to administer oaths according to law Anthony Kline aged about seventy-seven years a resident of the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia, and makes oath that he is the brother of Philip Kline deceased and that said Philip died in the County of Hampshire in Virginia in 1842 and that his widow Elizabeth is still living. Affiant states that he well remembers the time his brother Philip Klein now deceased started from home to join his Company at Winchester and he also remembers that he returned from service after the surrender of Cornwallis in the year 1781 at York Town in Virginia. That his said Brother Philip Kline left home in the fall of the year 1780 and did not return until sometime after the surrender of York Town as aforesaid. He frequently heard his Brother Philip Kline speak of his service in the said war and heard other soldiers of that war speak of his said Brothers service as well as affiant can remember his Brother Philip Kline marched from Winchester in Virginia in a company commanded by Captain George Bell and that he served for a period of ~~more than one year~~ ^{time he does not recollect} he has not at doubt. Affiant cannot state what line he belonged to excepting that he was of the Virginia soldiers and one of them. Affiant is the Brother of the deceased Philip Kline, but he can say that he has no interest in this application, there being children of the said Philip Kline as well as his wife Elizabeth surviving him. He states that many older persons a few years ago could have been found to prove the facts of his service and some possibly who served with him, but they have pretty generally died, and were these old persons living he would not testify, but leave it for some who were not connected with the family; but unfortunately these are none now living as far as affiant knows. He says he is not concerned in the prosecution of this application.

S/ Anthony Kline

Anthony Kline

¹ *dehors*