

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Kinnard (Kinard) S13646

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State of Georgia Jasper County: SS

On this twenty Eighth day of October 1834 personally appeared before the Honorable John G. Polhill Judge of the Superior Courts of the Okmulgee Circuit & said County John Kinard in open Court it being a Court of record a resident of said County & State of Georgia aged seventy-nine 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 himself as a volunteer in the Army of the United States in the summer to the best of his recollection in August 1779 with Captain Fulmer [Jacob Fulmere] & served in the militia Regiment commanded by Colonel Beard [Jonas Beard] -- immediately on entering the service he marched to Charleston under Colonel Beard & sometime after that he believes was engaged in the battle of Stono ferry [June 20, 1779]<sup>1</sup> where General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] commanded the American Troops -- this deponent was in Charleston at the capitulation of that place to the British Troops in May 1780 [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780];<sup>2</sup> having been engaged in constant service under Colonel Beard from the time he commenced under Colonel Beard until that time -- after the fall of Charleston deponent went home; & after that event on an expedition against the Indians to Seneca (a Fort) where he aided to guard the same three months under Major Somers -- at which time he was discharged -- this deponent states that his discharges he has long since lost & that he is not able to prove his services any further than by the affidavit of the witness hereto annexed -- 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 of any State. Deponent states that he was born in Philadelphia State of Pennsylvania & has heard he was born the year of Braddock's defeat<sup>3</sup> -- but has no record of his age -- deponent states that he was living in the Dutch Fork Newberry District South Carolina at the time he entered the service -- he lived in Newberry for some time after the War -- then moved to Edgefield District where he lived about 12 years -- from that place he moved to Georgia where he has lived 28 years & now resides in Jasper County -- deponent entered the Service as a volunteer under Colonel Beard, each Company of a Regiment being required to furnish five men, & deponent was one of the five as a volunteer --

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_stono\\_ferry.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/>

<sup>3</sup> Braddock's Defeat occurred on July 9, 1755 during the French and Indian War: also known as the Battle of the Monongahela

deponent well recollects General Lincoln who commanded all the American Troops at Charleston -- this deponent has long since lost his discharge which was given by Colonel Beard.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court 28th of October 1834

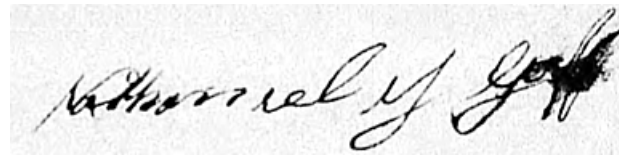
S/ Wm B. Stokes, Clerk

S/ John Kinnard, X his mark

Personally appeared in open Court Nathaniel J. Goff<sup>4</sup> a Revolutionary pensioner & a resident of Jasper County who being duly Sworn deposed & saith that although he did not know Mr. Kinard during the Revolution, he knew him after he moved to Edgefield where this deponent then lived, & it was understood & generally believed amongst the neighbors & from what Mr. Kinard has related of various circumstances that he was a Whig & in the service of his Country.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court 28th of October 1834.

S/ Nathaniel J. Goff

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nathaniel J. Goff", with a dark ink blot at the end of the signature.

[James Henderson, a Clergyman, and Reuben C. Shorter gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Alabama County of Randolph

On this Second day of September in the year of our Lord 1841 personally appeared before Andrew Burnham, Judge of the County Court of said County, (It being a Court of Record expressly so declared by the Statute of this State) John Kinard of said County and State aforesaid aged Eighty-three 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, and served as herein stated to wit: Residing in Newberry District in the State of South Carolina on Cannon's Creek in the section of Country commonly known as the Dutch fork he was drafted and served in Captain Jacob Fulmore's Company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Francis Marion and was marched to Fort Moultrie and was in the battle against the British at that place [June 28, 1776]<sup>5</sup> under which engagement he served six months & was also at the battle at Charleston but as to the dates either of the year or the month through age and loss of memory he cannot now recollect. He was again drafted and served 6 or 9 months in the Company commanded by Captain Coizier (Christian name not recollected) in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Beard to which engagement he marched against the Indians & was engaged in a battle with them in which they were entirely defeated. Declarant further states that he also served a term of either 3 or 6 months under an officer whose name he cannot now recollect who was an Irishman that he was then a Battle under him against the Indians in which the Enemy made but little resistance in said Engagement they took it eleven Pack Ponies (or Horses) all packed with plunder which said officer claimed for himself & refused to divide it among his troops. In consequence of which the most of the troop became so irritated that they marched off and left him almost alone with the plunder. The officer all the while begging them to remain and keep the Indians from killing him provided they should return which his men

<sup>4</sup> [Nathaniel J. Goff S31695](#)

<sup>5</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_ft\\_moultrie\\_1.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_ft_moultrie_1.html)

refused to do. Deponent further states that he served two other terms of Duty of six months Each as a drafted militia man but cannot now remember the names of either his field or Company Officers in those particular engagements. Deponent further states that between the commencement of the Revolutionary War & the close of the same he served four terms of six months each as a drafted militia man & that he would was three times a volunteer under one of which engagement he served one month at another he served two months at another he served four months. Declarant states that he served under General Gates [Horatio Gates] and was acquainted with General Green [Nathanael Greene] but cannot recollect that he was ever under his immediate command or not. He states the following facts that took place under his knowledge while in the service of the United States but as to the Officers, that he was under at the time or the dates when they occurred he cannot recollect. He was at one time stationed near a saw mill which mill was knocked to pieces by the soldiers rolling a large rock from the top of a high hill just above it. At another time he was taken a prisoner by the British and placed in a house with about forty others & that they were deprived of either food or Drank for several days. Declarant at length purchased a bottle of water for which he gave one dollar which was let down through the roof of the house, for which there was such a rush made by the other prisoners that the bottle was let fall on the floor and broken & the water spilled. He remembers once to have been in a battle against the British in which the enemy was in their vessels on water and the Americans on land, in which the Americans had to retreat. The enemy continued their fire on them for about 3 miles. In said battle there were a great many killed and about 500 wounded all of which afterwards died except one man. He further states that on one occasion he had just returned home from the service when there came to his house a Tory by the name of James Turner who fell upon him with his sword and cut him on the head in 5 places and also, on the elbow of the left arm so that his arm has been crooked ever since said Turner left him for dead and afterwards went to Virginia where he remained for several weeks, he then returned and in a few days was taken sick & died. Declarant further states that he has no Documentary evidence and that he knows of no person who can testify to his service or whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. 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. He further states that the reason why he has never made application for a pension before his as follows to wit sometime in the year 1833 residing in Meriwether County in the State of Georgia he applied to an attorney to make out an application for him and was informed by said attorney that unless he could prove his services by two credible witnesses he could not obtain a pension and not knowing of any such testimony that he could obtain, he gave it up as a hopeless case unless he could find such persons which he has never been able to do.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ And. Burnham, JCC

S/ Thomas Kinard, X his mark

[Jefferson Falkner, a clergyman, and John Bean gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Green B. Robertson also gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 21: Certificate dated December 11, 1841 from the South Carolina Comptroller's Office in Columbia showing indents paid to John Kainard for services in Col. Waters' Regiment "since the fall of Charleston" as certified in Colonel Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as

a private for 6 months in the South Carolina militia.]