

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Tandy Key S18069

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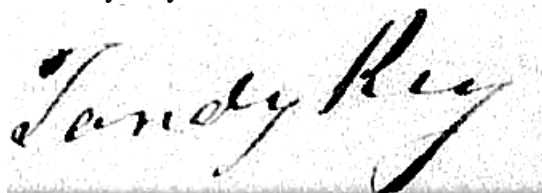
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State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit, On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834 personally appeared before me George Stillman a Justice of the peace in and for the said County Tandy Key a resident of said County aged Seventy-nine years on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October last from a record kept by his Father now in in his possession; 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 was called into service in the month of September or August in the year 1777 in a Company of militia from the County of Buckingham under the command of Captain John Bates, that this declarant was the Lieutenant of the Company and Charles Dibrell (now Colonel Dibrell of Davidson County Tennessee) was the Ensign, that the detachment to which this company belonged was under the command of Colonels Cabell [probably Colonel John Cabell] & May [probably Charles May] – that Troops were also out at same time from the County of Amherst under the command of Colonels Rucker and Cabell, that they marched to Richmond and from thence to Williamsburg and were there under the Command of General Nelson [Thomas Nelson] as he believes, that he remained at Williamsburg until the Troops were discharged, from the imperfection of his memory he is unable to say positively whether they were in Service 2 or 3 months, his impression was that they were not out more than 5 months – but Colonel Dibrell whose affidavit is hereunto annexed & who is a younger man & enjoys sound health, says 3 months: That he had a Commission as Lieutenant which has been lost. He believes it was signed by Patrick Henry – who was at that time he thinks Governor of Virginia. That the succeeding spring after performing this Tour of duty this declarant removed from the County of Buckingham to the County of Fluvanna the place of his Nativity – That in the fall of 1779 he was called into service from the County of Fluvanna as a Private (he having declined a commission with a view to procure a Substitute) in a Company of militia commanded by Captain Jones, that they marched from Fluvanna in the month of December to the Barracks in the County of Albemarle and remained there guarding the prisoners taken with General Burgoyne, until the month of June following, was out this tour to the best of his recollection 5 ½ months – that at the Albemarle Barracks he knew the following officers, viz. Colonel Taylor [Francis Taylor], Colonel Fontaine [William Fontaine], Captain Thomas of Buckingham & Captain Pollard of Amherst – that in the spring of 1781 he marched from Fluvanna as a private in a Company of militia under Captain Daniel Tilghman that they marched to Richmond and were ordered from thence to Williamsburg but before reaching the latter place these orders were countermanded & they were marched to Morvin Hills [Malvern Hills] below Richmond and remained in that neighborhood until discharged, being out as well as recollected two months – on his return from

this term met Austin Seay whose affirmation is hereto annexed and gave him the Hunting Shirt as stated. Then declarant further states that he was born in that part of the County of Albemarle which is now Fluvanna, that he removed to the County of Buckingham and remained there 4 or 5 years, returned to Fluvanna & from thence to Albemarle where he resided until the year 1814 when he purchased a plantation in Fluvanna where he now resides that he does not recollect whether he ever received a discharge from the service at the expiration of his several tours, if he did they are lost – that all the Tours which he performed were under calls made by the legally constituted authorities of the State – that from his great age and loss of memory many particulars of his Services have escaped him that at this time he knows of no evidence to establish his services at the Barracks in Albemarle, that of the Tour under Captain Tilghman his recollection is very imperfect, he is however fully persuaded that in these three Tours he served ten months – and he feels positive of having served one other tour of two months the particulars of which he has totally forgotten – for his character as to credibility & integrity he refers to Wm J. Cole Esquire & Daniel Turner [indecipherable word] of this County and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension other than the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State. Sworn & subscribed the day & year first herein written.

S/ Tandy Key

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tandy Key". The ink is dark and the paper appears slightly aged or textured.

[William J Cole gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Daniel Turner and John H Timberlake, neighbors of the veteran, gave an affidavit as to his respectability.]

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State of Virginia Fluvanna County to wit

Austin Seay<sup>1</sup> a resident of Fluvanna County, this day personally appeared before me John Winn a Justice of the peace for said County, and having religious scruples against taking an oath, solemnly affirmeth, – That previous to the Revolutionary War, he was well acquainted with Tandy Key – That with the exception of a few years of absence from the said County he has known him ever since. That sometime during the Revolutionary War, (the year he cannot positively state) this affiant being on the line of march from said County in performing one of the many tours during said war, distinctly recollects meeting with Tandy Key, who was, as he stated just discharged from service, and who presented this affiant with a hunting shirt, the usual military dress then worn. That although this affiant had no personal knowledge of said Key's service; From his then appearance and corresponding circumstances, there was not a shadow of doubt, but he had been a soldier. That said Key still resides in said County of Fluvanna and is a man of truth & credibility. Given under my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 1834.

S/ Austin Seay, X his mark

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State of Tennessee Davidson County

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<sup>1</sup> [Austin Seay W19341](#)

Charles Dibrell<sup>2</sup> a Citizen of Davidson County Tennessee being called on to state what he knows in relation to the service of Tandy Key in the revolutionary War – says that – in the year 1777 there was a company of militia ordered from Buckingham County Virginia – the then place of residence of both Key & himself that the said Key was the Lieutenant of the same – it was commanded by Captain John Bates, deponent was himself the Ensign & knows that the said Tandy Key now a citizen of Fluvanna County Virginia marched with said company – they belonged to the detachment under the command of Colonels Cabell & May. They left Buckingham & went through the city of Richmond to Williamsburg. Deponent is under the impression that they were ordered out for 3 months – & he thinks they remained at Williamsburg under the command of General Nelson all that time – he knows that the company – remained – & Tandy Key with it until they were regularly & lawfully discharged.

S/ Charles Dibrell

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Dibrell". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a large initial 'C'.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$65 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 7 ½ months and as a Lieutenant for 3 months in the Virginia Continental line.  
[Veteran was initially pensioned only at the rate of \$35 per annum for 10 ½ months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

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<sup>2</sup> [Charles Dibrell \(Debrill\) S21160](#)