

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Kay S31179

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State of Kentucky } Sct.

County of Boone }

On this 3 day of June 1833 personally appeared before the Justices of the Boone Court it being a Court of Record & now setting James Kay a resident of said county aged Seventy four years next September, 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 spring of the year 1776 in King George County Virginia where he then lived under Captain Thomas Berry for Two years as a private soldier in the 8th Virginia regiment in the Continental line that he served said Two years in the service of the United States under said Capt Tho Berry during which Term of Service he was marched from Virginia to Charleston South Carolina & there stationed awhile [about the time of the Battle of Sullivans Island, 28 June 1776]. then to Sunbury in Georgia - from thence he was taken to Virginia where they Joined the Continental Army under Gen'l. Washington & was marched to Philadelphia from thence to Brandywine & was in the Battle of Brandywine in Sept'r 1777 when he was wounded badly in one hand - which disabled him so that he could not do militia duty in consequence of which he was permitted by Genl Charles Scott to go home to Virginia on Furlough. Soon after he was so recovered as to return to his company his two years expired & he was discharged in Virginia by Col. Abraham Bowman which was in the spring of the year 1778 — He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension whatever or an annuity (except that which he receives under a special act of Congress for the disability in his hand occasioned by the wound he received in the Battle of Brandywine as before named and except a pension is allowed him under this application) & he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency in any state except the one under the Special law afs'd he herewith sends the affidavit of Col. A. Bowman & the certificate of Gen'l. Ch's. Scott as testimony in his case

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court

[signed] James Kay

I hearby Certify that James Kay was a soldier in the 8th Virginia Regement in Capt Berrys Company and was actually wounded in his right hand at the battle of Brandywine on the eleventh day of September 1777

Given under my hand this

Chs Scott Late Bri'r. Gen'l

Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

Abraham Bowman made Oath before me a Justice of the Peace for said County that he was a Colonel in the Virginia Continental line during the Revolutionary War and was well acquainted with James Kay who was a private Soldier in Capt. Thomas Berrys company of the 8th Virginia Regiment of the Continental line in the United States Service and that said Kay served in said service Two years and was legally discharged by me. Abr'm. Bowman

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of March 1831

NOTE: In a document dated 19 Sep 1826 Kay stated that he had previously lived in Fayette County and wished to have his pension as an invalid transferred to Boone County.