

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

PENSION REQUEST OF MICHAEL KIRKHAM S31187

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State of Kentucky, Woodford County.

On this 6 day of May 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court now sitting Michael Kirkham a resident of said County of Woodford and state aforesaid aged eighty six years on the 29 day of August last. Who being 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 in June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in a draft in the year 1776 under Capt. Duncan - That he was stationed as a guard at Hustons fort on or near Clinch River in the state of Virginia, that shortly after the Battle of the big Island was fought with the Indians, that he was with others ordered to remove his family into a fort that he then volunteered under Capt. Bledsoe for six months and was stationed at Moore's fort in Clinch serving seven months altogether. That in the year 1779 He moved with his family to Kentucky and settled at Clarks Station near Danville. That in the year 1780 He was drafted on Clarks Campaign against the Indians - That he served seven weeks - That he was in the Battle on Mad River about twenty five miles above Dayton - That during this time he served as Ensign in Capt. John Daughertop Company. He served another term under the late Colo. Robert Johnson the father of Colo. Richard W. Johnson. - The length of service or year not now recollected. - That he has no documentary evidence but refers to the accompanying affidavit of Elizabeth Jolles as to his service under Gen'l Clark. He hereby relinquishes any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not in the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

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Michael M Kirkham
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We John Blackburn a Clergyman residing in the County of Woodford and William B. Blackburn residing in the same hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Michael Kirkham who has sworn to the above declaration. That we believe him to be eighty six years of age. That he is reputed & believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution and that we concur in that opinion sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

(signed) John W. Blackthorn
Wm. Blackthorn

And the said court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War department that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and served as he states and the Court certifies that it appears to them that John W. Blackburn who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman resident in the County of Woodford and that William B. Blackthorn who has also signed the same is a resident of said County of Woodford and is a credible person and that their statements are entitled to full credit.

I John McKinnigalm clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said court in the matter of application of Michael Kirkham for a pension.

I testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and caused the seal of my office to be affixed at Versailles this 6th day of May, 1833 in the 41st year of the Commonwealth

(signed) John McKinnigal

From personal knowledge & from the most satisfactory information there can be no doubt of the statement of Michael Kirkham. He could get 50 respectable citizens to prove his respectability & the absolute & entire belief in his services as stated.

R _____ Johnson

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MICHAEL KIRKHAM

Woodford Co. in the State of Kentucky who was a pr. & Ensign in the company commanded by Captain Duncan & _____ of the regiment commanded by Colo. Robt. Johnson in the Virginia Militia for 8 months and 19 days.

Private 7 months..... \$23.33
Ensign 1 mo 19 days..... 16.33
39.66

Inscribed in the Roll of Kentucky at the rate of 39 dollars 66 cents per annum to commence on the 4th day of March 1831. Certificate of Pension issued the 17 day of May 1833 and sent to _____ Johnson Georgetown Ten.

Arrears to the 4th of March 1833 \$79.33
Semi anl allowance ending Sep 33 \$19.83
\$99.16

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State of Kentucky )  
Woodford County ) SGT

Be it Known, That before me, William Wooldridge a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared MICHAEL KIRKHAM and made oath, in due form of Law, that he is the identical person named in an original certificate in his possession, of which (I certify) the following is a true copy:

War Department  
Revolutionary Claim

I certify that in conformity with the law of the United States of the 7th June 1832 Michael Kirkham of the State of Kentucky who was a Private and Ensign in the Army of the Revolution is entitled to receive Thirty nine dollars and sixty six cents per annum during his natural life commencing on the 4th of March 1831 and payable semi-annually on the 4th of March and 4th of September in every year.

Given at the War Office of the United States this Seventeenth day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty three.

Lew Cass [?]  
Secretary of War

Examined and  
countersigned) T. S. Edwards  
Commissioner of Pensions

that he now resides in Woodford County Ky and has resided there for the space of nine years past, and that previous thereto  
he resided in the State of Ohio

Sworn and subscribed this 29th day of  
April 1835 before me  
Wm Wooldridge J.P.

Michael Kirkham

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Office of the Bank of the United States, Lexington.

20 June 1835

Received of Wm Richardson, Agent for Paying Pensions Nineteen Dollars 83 Cents, being for 6 months (blank) day  
Pension, due to Michael Kirkham from the 4 day of Sept 1834, to the 4 day of March 1835, for which have signed duplicate  
receipts.

\$19.83

Samuel Campbell Atty.

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Know All Men By These Presents, That I, MICHAEL KIRKHAM of Woodford County, Ky Revolutionary Pensioner of  
the United States, do hereby constitute and appoint SAMUEL CAMPBELL, my true and Lawful Attorney, for me, and  
in my name to receive from the Agent of the United States, for paying pensions in Lexington, State of Kentucky, my pension  
from the 4th day of September 1834 to the 4th day of March 1835.

Witness my hand and seal, this 29th day of April 1835.

Sealed and delivered )

in presence of )

Michael Kirkham seal

Michael T Elliott

William Elliott

State of Kentucky )

Woodford County ) SS,

Be It Known, That on the 29th day of April 1835 before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for said county,  
personally appeared Michael Kirkham above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney to be his act and deed.  
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year last above mentioned.

Wm. Wooldridge J.P.

*State of Kentucky, Woodford County, Set.*

*I Herman Bonnar Jr. Clerk of the Court of Woodford County, certify that Wm. Wooldridge is a Magistrate as above; and that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my Seal of Office, and subscribed my name this 19th day of June in the year 1835.*

*Herman Bonnar Jr. Clerk  
Clerk of the Court of Woodford County*

*State of Kentucky )*

*... (blank).. County) SS*

*Be it known, that on the 19th day of June 1835 before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said county, personally appeared Samuel Campbell the Attorney named in the foregoing Power of Attorney, and made oath that the same was not given him by reason of any sale, transfer or mortgage of the pension, or arrears of pension, therein authorized to be received by him.*

*Sworn and subscribed the day and year last above mentioned, before me*

*S Whittington J.P.*

*Samuel Campbell*

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