

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Benoni Kendrick S36030

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,

On the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court, in and for the state aforesaid, personally appeared Benoni Kendrick aged about sixty years; – who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following statement and declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late law of Congress entitled, “an act to provide for certain personas engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war:” that he is a citizen of the state of Kentucky, and resident in the county of Bourbon and that he was enlisted for eighteen months in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County in the state of Virginia on or about the summer or fall of the year 1779 by one Armsted and served in the company commanded by captain Armsted of the number of Regiment he does not recollect but was commanded by Colo John Green and Lieut Colo Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes] of the Virginia line on continental establishment that he continued to serve in said corps, or in the service of the United States, in the continental army, against the common enemy, until about the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1781 when he was honorably discharged from service at Salsbary in the state of South Carolina [sic: Salisbury NC]; that he was in the service more than eighteen months for his [two illegible words] and was in no battles of any distinction and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has lost his discharge, and has no evidence in his power, of his services and discharge, other than that which is here transmitted.

William Kendrick [pension application W26743] who was sworn at the same time states that the within named Benoni Kendrick is his brother that he knows that the statement which his brother has made as to his enlistment services, and discharge is true, for he the said witness enlisted at the same time served the same time served the same time ans was discharged with the said Benoni. That he the said Benoni is in a state of extreme poverty and wholly unable to support himself

State of Kentucky SS)

On this 29 day of August 1820, personally appeared, in open court being a court of Record for said state by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of said State Benoni Kendrick aged about 62 yeares, resident in Bourbon County in the state aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows about two years in the Reg’t. commanded by Colo. John Green of the Virginia Line in the company of Capt Armistead. He states that he was discharged as a soldier after the defeat of Lord Corn Wallis [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] from the company of Capt Valentine P. Harrison who was a capt. in said Reg’t. commanded by said Col Greene He states that the number of his pension certificate is 12.175 and he has drawn from the United States Bank at Lexington in sd state sums of [rest illegible] And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed (Real estate none) personal estate one horse worth \$45 – one cow worth \$15

He states that his occupation is that of a farmer and from his age and infirmities he is unable do work of any kind He states that he has no house nor home and lives with his son in law by his consent his wife has been dead about 5 years and he has no property of any kind that he is the head of [rest of sentence illegible]. He states that he is unable to support himself without the ade of Government, except by private or public charity Signed Benoni Kendrick

NOTE: A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Ben. Kendrick/ age 19/ height 5' 6"/ farmer/ born and residing in Culpeper County/ light-brown hair/ blue eyes/ dark complexion/ enlisted 20 Sep 1780 for 18 months.