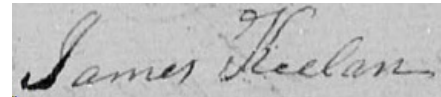


Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Keelan (Kelan) S38110 MD
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Georgia }
Morgan County } Personally came, James Keelan before me one of the Judges of the inferior Court for the county of Morgan and state of Georgia and on his oath saith, that he now is and has been since the revolutionary war, a resident citizen of the United States, and by reason of his reduced circumstances and enfeebled old age is in need of assistance from his country for support. And in furtherance of this application this deponent, on his oath saith that he commenced his service as a volunteer in Capt Philip Meroneys [sic: Philip Maroney, pension application R6911] company from Frederickstown [Frederick] in the State of Maryland in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six. that he joined the redgement commanded by Col Griffin [sic: Charles G. Griffith] & Scotha[?]wk [page torn] and was attached to the Brigade of General Bell [sic: Reazin Beall] at philadelphia. That in the year following he returned to Fredericktown, then Inlisted as a regular for three years under Captain Jonathan Morris [S41896], was marched to princeton in Jersey, then attached to the seventh regiment Commanded by Col. John Gunby and [Peter] Adams, and organized in the brigade comanded by General [William] Smallwood following which was wounded at the battle of Germantown [4 Oct 1777], that after the expiration of the three years for which he enlisted, he again enlisted at winter quarters at Bawnbrook [sic: Bound Brook] in Jersey during the war. In the year eighty marched for charlestown under the comand of General De Kalb. In the year eighty three returned to annapolis and sometime in July to the best of the recollection of this deponent, he was discharged by Captain Revelie [sic: Francis Revelly, BLWt261-300] of the light Infantry belonging to the Maryland line – in the above mentioned place. That this deponent knows of no person in this State who could substantiate the above facts and has no other evidence of his services, above mentioned, which can be obtained for the present purposes.
Sworn to and subscribed before me the 5th January 1819
Littlebery Grisham JIC

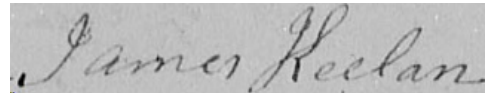


Auditor's Office, Annapolis, August 6th 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that James Keland enlisted as a Corporal in the Seventh Maryland Regiment, on the Seventh day of dec'r. 1776 and was on the 16th Aug't. 1780 missing [at the Battle of Camden SC] The applicant had arranged to Capt. Morris's Comp'y. It also appears by the pay Roll, that the applicant Rec'd pay up to 15th Nov'r. 1783
Thos. Karney Aud. S. M.

State of Georgia }
Morgan County } On this second day of December eighteen hundred and twenty three, personally appeared, in open Court being a court of record for the said County of Morgan James Keelan aged sixty nine years resident in said County of Morgan who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: went from Frederick Town in the State of Maryland in the year (1776) in Captain Phillip McRoney's Company of Colonel Griffins Regiment, in General Bells Brigade, a volunteer in flying camp. Returned to said Frederick Town in (1777) Inlisted with Captain Jonathan Morris for three years, joined Regiment in Princeton in the Jerseys Commanded by Colonel John Gunby, which Regiment was called the seventh Maryland Regiment, joined the first Brigade commanded by General William Smalwood [sic] of the Maryland line – was wounded at Germantown through the body, the ball extracted from the side of the back bone. Reinlisted for during the war at Bawnbrook in the Jersey in (1779) or (1780) marched to South Carolina in the aforesaid Line of officers – division commanded by Major General De Calb [sic]. Continued untill (1783) Returned to

the City of Annapolis and there discharged (which discharge is worn out and lost many years since). The date of the original declaration not recollected but believes it was in the year 1819 – the number of pension certificate on which he has rec'd a pension is (14834) And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 persons engaged in the land and naval service of the united states in the Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th 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 at all whatever, my wearing apparel excepted, And deponent further states that his Occupation heretofore has been that of a farmer, but from his age and infirmities is now rendered entirely incapable of pursuing it and that he has no family at all.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James Keelan". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.