

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Keith S38115

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Virginia to wit

On this 15th day of April 1819 – Before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court for the State of Virginia personally appeared Daniel Keith aged Sixty-nine years & Resident of the County of Rockbridge in said State – Who Being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the Provision made by the late act of Congress Entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War – That he the said Daniel Keith – Enlisted for during the term of three years on the __ day of __ under Captain Nevill [Neville] of the 12th Regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood in the Line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment – that he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States until the month of April 1778 when he was Discharged from Service at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania – that after his Discharge at the Place aforesaid he Enlisted for the Term of 18 months – under Colonel Holmes of the Militia & that he Enlisted out of the Service of the said Colonel Holmes into the 1st Regiment of Virginia Dragoons – under Captain Watts – Commanded by Colonel White – on Continental Establishment – & that he remained in said Service for the term of two years – When he was Discharged in the State of South Carolina in the year 1783 – That he was in the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] – Germantown [October 4, 1777] – Guilford [March 15, 1781] – & Campden [sic probably the Second Battle of Camden, otherwise known as the Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781] – and many Inferior engagements – & that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support – & that he has no other Evidence of his Services but that is here with exhibited.

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid

S/ Arch Stuart, Judge

District of Virginia County of Rockbridge to wit

On this first day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record, having the power of fine and imprisonment, and unlimited jurisdiction in point of amount; for the said County, Daniel Keith aged between seventy and seventy-one years resident in Rockbridge County District aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. In Captain Andrew Waggoner's Company 12th Regiment of the Virginia line for three years: that when discharged from the 12th Regiment he enlisted in Captain John Waters Company of the first Regiment of

Horse commanded by Colonel White in which he continued two years & one month. That his declaration bears date the 15th day of April 1819, as appears by his certificate and that number 14,292 is that of his pension certificate. 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed viz. eight acres and thirty-six poles mountain land, one old mare and spring colt, one pot, one skillet, one pale, also a balance of a bond due from Samuel Hanson for \$144 but for which I never expect to obtain one cent. I am a laborer by occupation but at times generally afflicted with a rheumatism, particularly in my neck and shoulder. I have no family whatever.

S/ Daniel Keith, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 15th, 1819, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

This is to Certify that Daniel Keith enlisted to serve during the War in the first Regiment Light Dragoons April 10th 1781

S/ James Meriwether, Lieutenant
1st Regiment L.D.

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I do certify that the above named Daniel Keith was a soldier in my company and served 3 years. Given under my hand this 6th day of September 1806

S/ A. Waggoner
Major of the 8th [illegible] Regiment