

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Greenelsh S5209

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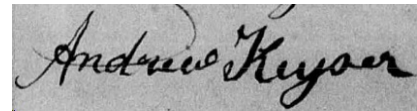
I do hereby Certify that I was a resident of the state of Virginia in Shenandoah County and I joined the Continental troops under the command of Major [Thomas] Ridley in the fall of 1779 who marchd us from hillsborough to Sharlott in Carolina [sic: Charlotte NC] & after [sic] the Battle of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, 3 Dec 1780] took the command when Cornwallace [sic: Cornwallis] & Green joined Battle at Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781], when Green fought the Battle at the Utaw springs [sic: Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] my Colonel & Captain wer both killed Co. Richard Cambell & Capt Conaway Holdom [sic: Col. Richard Campbell and Capt. Conway Oldham] I received my discharge at Sallsberry [sic: Salisbury] north Carolina on the 31 of december in the year [illegible; 1781] Colonel William Genins [William Jennings] undertook to get my pay with many others and got it & wrongd us all out of it

Edward hisXmark Greenelch

Virginia Shenandoah County Ss.

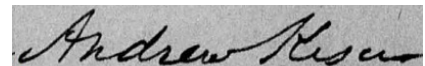
The affidavit of Andrew Keyser sen'r. [pension application S5651] taken before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid on the 12th day of September 1829.

This affiant says that during the Revolutionary War he was well acquainted with Edward Greenelsh (who now resides in Jefferson County State of Ohio). that he served in the Regiment commanded by Col. Cambell in General Greene's Division of Continental Regulars in the Southern Army in the years 1780 & 1781 and that the said Greenelsh and this affiant were both discharged on the 31st day of December in the year 1781.



Luray 12 Sep'r. 1829

D Sir Your favour of 29 Aug't. rec'd. I was not able to attend to your request on account of sickness untill now. I have just been qualified to the facts as stated on the other side which I hope will be sufficient to enable you to draw your pension with my best wishes I remain yrs



State of Ohio }
Jefferson County } Ss On this 20th day of August [1833] personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Jefferson, Edward Greenelsh a resident of the Mt. Pleasant township and County aforesaid, aged eighty six years, 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 entered the service of the United States in the year 1779, with lieutenant Huffman (name of the regiment not recollected) and served under the following named officers, viz, That in the summer of 1779 he was called out under a call from the Governer of the State of Virginia, by which every fifteenth man in the county of Shanendoah was called upon to appear at the court house of said County in order for service, and that after the designated persons had assembled, he (with every other soldier) received a tobacco note for 1000 lbs of tobacco, which he accepted as a bounty, and that he was then placed under the command of lieutenant Huffman and marched from thence to Winchester in Frederick County and remained there until the forces arrived from Frederick, Hampshire and Berkeley Counties, and that Col [John] Green then had the oath of allegiance administered to him (as well as all the forces there assembled) and then delivered up the command to lieutenant Conaway Oldham, under whom they were marched to culpepper

[sic: Culpeper] court house, where colonel Green gave him a certificate certifying eighteen months service, and that he marched from thence under the command of Lieutenant Oldham until he arrived at Gen [Horatio] Gate's Camp. Hillsborough, North Carolina and that he was received into Gates camp and placed under the command of Major Ridley and marched from thence under Major Ridley to Colonel Bluefords [sic: Abraham Buford] in Charlotte County [sic] North Carolina, that he remained there until Gen Green arrived and took the command and was then sent off with the heavy baggage to Prince Edward's Court house in Virginia, that he was ordered from thence to Camden in S.C. but in consequence of the defeat of the Americans at that place [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781] the order was countermanded to ninety six in S.C. where he joined the army, remained with the army three weeks and was then ordered to retreat with the baggage to Catawba river that he went from thence to general Huger's [sic: Isaac Huger] where he remained till the expiration of his time.

From thence homeward to Sallsbury N. C. where he received his discharge from a person named Crawford whose office he cannot recollect. The names of some of the officers of the regiment to which he belonged, were Col Campbell, Major Hooe, Major Edmonds, Captain Oldham, Lieutenant Stripling and Lieu Heister. And further that he believes his name is on the rolls of the department and that he gave his tobacco note his certificate and discharge to Col Jennings to procure his pay for him, that the said Jennings became insolvent and thereby deprived him of these evidences of his claim to a pension. And this deponent further says that he was born in the year 1747 in Lancaster County [sic: Lancashire] Old England and that he has no record of his age, that he was living in Shanendoah County Va when called into service and continued to reside there for several years, and that now lives in Jefferson County Ohio, and has for the last thirty years, and he refers you to the facts stated in his declaration that you may determine whether he was enlisted or drafted. And he also says that the names of his officers are as above stated, and he further says that he is known to a number of persons in his neighborhood who can testify to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution, And particularly to the persons whose certificates are annexed to the above declaration. And he also says that on account of his having been confined to his house by indisposition for the last ten years he is not acquainted with any clergyman in his neighborhood who can testify to his character and services. He further says that he has no documentary evidence of his service (unless it is on the rolls of the department and that he knows of no one whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency in any state or territory. Edward hsiXmark Greenelsh