

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Kroesen S5663

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State of Virginia, Berkeley County, to wit,

On the 28th day of August 1832 personally appeared before me Daniel Burkhardt, a Justice of the peace in and for said county, Isaac Kroesen a resident of the county of Berkeley and State of Virginia, aged Seventy Eight 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service in the month of December of 1780 as a volunteer in a company commanded by Capt. Simon Morgan. He started from Shepherds Town [Shepherdstown], then in Berkeley County, Virginia, and continued in the service Eighteen months, and acted a part of the time as an Orderly Sergeant. The Colonel who commanded the Regiment to which his company was attached was called Col. Campbell. The said Kroesen was at the siege of York town. He was in no other engagement during his service that he recollects, nor does he recollect the names of any other Officers who were in the service with him. He marched to Winchester in Virginia after the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], where he was discharged. He has lost his discharge, and has no Documentary evidence of his services, nor does he know of any person living by whom he can prove his service except Major Henry Bedinger<sup>1</sup> of Berkeley County.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a Pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid,

S/ Isaac Kroesen, X his mark

Henry Bedinger declared that he knows Isaac Kroesen enlisted as a soldier in the Virginia line, on continental establishment, sometime in 1780. That he saw said Kroesen in the Spring of 1781 in Fredericksburg, Virginia, under the command and attached to the company commanded by Capt. Simon Morgan, on his way to the South and believes said Kroesen was at the Siege and surrender of the British forces commanded by Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown on the 19th October 1781. Also believes he was marched to Winchester sometime thereafter and discharged there. I know not the length of time he was in service. He was a near neighbor of mine at that time, and has remained such ever since the Revolutionary War. His character stood high for veracity and honesty, and as a neighbor we had many conversations on the

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<sup>1</sup> [Henry Bedinger S8059](#)

various scenes of those Campaigns and as far as I now recollect, his details were those of truth.

S/ Henry Bedinger<sup>2</sup>  
October 8, 1832

[Charles Orrick and George Porterfield gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia Continental line.]

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<sup>2</sup> this is not the actual signature of Henry Bedinger but there are many examples of it in this database which can be found simply by searching his name