

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Renolds (Reynolds, Runnels) S7370

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Revolutionary Claims

Treasury Department 30 August 1828

James Runnels of __ in the County of Gates in the State of North Carolina has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Mumford [sic, Joseph Montford or Joseph Montfort]'s company, in the 6th Regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of \$80, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th day of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing, his name may be spelled Reynolds.

This man was a prisoner at the end of the war.

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his office.

By order of the Secretary

S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,

Third Auditor's Office, 5th of September 1828

~~It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of \$80 was issued to __ in the __~~

It further appears that James Runnels is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826.

The name of James Runnels cannot be found among those of the North Carolina line, to whom Certificates for the gratuity of \$80 were issued.

S/ Peter Hagner, Auditor

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the Act, entitled "an act for the relief [of] certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May 1828, I James Runnels in the County of Gates & State of North Carolina -- do hereby declare,

that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the revolution, for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination; at which period I was a private in Captain Joseph Mumford's Company in the 6th Regiment of the North Carolina line. And I also declare that I afterwards received Certificates for the reward of \$80 to which I was entitled, under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15th May 1778.

And I further declare, that I was not, on the 15th day of May 1828, on the pension list of the United States.

Witness my hand this 25th day of July in the year 1828.

S/ James Runnels, X his mark

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Before me Dempsey Knight a Justice of the Peace duly empowered to administer oaths, in the County of Gates, State of North Carolina, personally appeared this day General Kader Ballard¹ of the said County, who made oath that he was a Captain in the North Carolina line in the Army of the Revolution, that he was taken prisoner at the capitulation of Charleston [May 12, 1780], was quartered at Haddrell's Point for about eighteen months and then suffered to return home upon his parole; that he was not exchanged during the continuation of the war, nor received any discharge at its conclusion: that he well knew James Runnels who made the above declaration, and that the said James Runnels was to his certain knowledge a private (in Captain Joseph Mumford's company) in the North Carolina line of the Army of the Revolution, that he was taken prisoner at Charleston, quartered at Haddrell's Point, and returned to North Carolina along with him the said Kadar Ballard on his parole, and that he does not believe that the said James Runnels was ever exchanged during the continuance of the war. Witness my hand this 20th day of August in the year 1828.

S/ Dempsey Knight, JP

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State of Virginia in County of Nansemond: SS

On this 14th day of November 1833, personally appeared before me, John B. Benton a justice of the peace in and for the County of Nansemond and State of Virginia, James Renolds, a resident of the same County & State, aged seventy-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 enlisted in the Army of the United States, (according to the best of his recollection at this day,) in the year 1779, under Colonel Lamb, in the County of Perquimans, North Carolina, and served in the 6th Regiment of the Continental line, under the following named officers: --

That General Clinton, General Moultrie, Colonel Parker, Colonel Eaton & Major Hogg were the field Officers whose names he now recollects, who commanded during the term of his engagement; that Joseph Mumford [sic, Joseph Montford or Montfort] was the Captain of the company to which he was attached; that he resided in the County of Perquimans, in the State of North Carolina when he entered the service; that he was in the battle at "Stono Ferry"; that he was also at the battle of the "Siege of Charleston," where he was taken prisoner, together with many others, one of them, Captain Kedar Ballard of Gates County, North Carolina, is now living, and sent on board of a prison ship then lying in the harbor of Charlestown; that he was sent round in a Flag ship from Charleston, South Carolina to old Jamestown in Virginia, where he

¹ [Kedar \(Cader\) Ballard BLWt292-300](#)

was exchanged and permitted to go home; that he was discharged at Jamestown, he thinks, in the year 1782 or 1783. -- That he marched through the intermediate Country between Perquimans County in North Carolina and Charleston in South Carolina, and that when he entered the service he enlisted for 3 years, but that it was nearly 4 years from the time of his enlistment to the period at which he arrived at Jamestown in the Flag Ship.

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

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Renolds, X his mark

[Richard D. Webb & Thomas G. Benton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

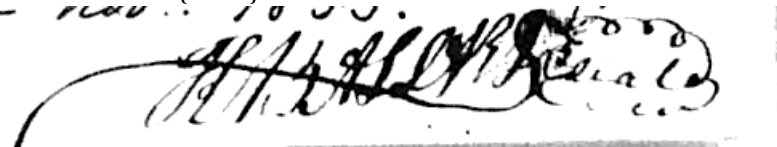
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State of North Carolina County of Gates

I, Kadar Ballard, of the aforesaid County and State, aged eighty years, (born in 1753,) do hereby certify, that I was a Captain in the 3rd North Carolina Continental Regiment in the revolutionary War, and now received a pension of \$480 per year from the United States; that I know James Renolds who has subscribed & sworn to the foregoing declaration; that the said James Renolds was a soldier in Captain Joe Mumford's [Joseph Montford's] Company in the same Regiment to which I belonged, in the War of the Revolution, and was taken prisoner at the siege of Charleston, when I was all so taken prisoner; that the said James Renolds together with myself & many others were prisoners at Charleston about 18 months as well as I can now remember, and were finally sent on board of a Flag Ship and sent round to Jamestown in Virginia, when I was permitted to go home on parole, and the said James Renolds together with the other soldiers were exchanged or discharged. -- I also certify, that I personally knew the said James Renolds as a soldier in the Continental service between 2 and 3 years during the Revolutionary War, and I think the said Renolds was in the 3rd Regiment after he came to Charleston. -- And I further certify that every material fact in his declaration is correct -- He may have made a mistake about the number of the Regiment to which he belonged but of that I am not positive.

Sworn to & subscribed, this 18th day of November 1833.

S/ K. Ballard {Seal}

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kadar Ballard", written in dark ink on a light background. The signature is somewhat stylized and includes a large flourish at the end.