

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Kincaid¹ W10177 Rebecca Kincaid f86VA²
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State of Kentucky Bath County: SS

On this 23rd day of June 1834 personally appeared before me James Morgan a Judge and Justice of the peace for Bath County Kentucky Robert Kingcade [sic] a resident of said County aged seventy-one 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 7th of June 1832

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That he entered the service of the U.S. under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He states that he was born on the 14th of July 1761. In Albemarle County Virginia. He says he entered the service of the United States in June 1776. He thinks the first as a volunteer in Captain John Kingcals³ [John Kincaid's?] company from Washington County Virginia & under Colonel A. Campbell [Arthur Campbell] & marched immediately from home to a place called Elk Garden where he says he remained by order of his Colonel until his three months was out at which time he was discharged and returned home but thinks he received no written discharge having served three months in actual service. —

The next was a tour of three months in 1777 as a volunteer under Lieutenant James Leiper as a Ranger and Spy ranging and Spying through the above county in the neighborhood of Elk Garden & New Garden (as a volunteer) to keep the Indians from distroying the Inhabitants as they were very troublesome during the Summer and in the fall they would leave till the ensuing Summer. During this tour he served three months at least and was honorably discharged but thinks he received no written discharge as it was not customary to give written discharges. It is well known to the Department that we were thinly settled and under continual alarm during these years from the Indians. On this tour he thinks he entered the first of May as that was the time the Indians came into the Country.

The next was from same place as before as a volunteer in May 1778, he thinks the first on another tour of six months under Captain Samuel Hayes & Major Daniel Smith. On this tour he

¹ BLWt84019-160-55

² The images of the documents in this file posted on Ancestry.com are much better than those posted on Fold 3.com.

Kingcals

says he marched to Kentucky to convey provisions ammunition & men to relieve the citizens of that state as we had heard that the country was literally evacuated having been overrun by the savages. And arrived at Logan's Station some short time after the Indians left Boonborough [Boonesborough], the same year that the Opost [modern day Vincennes] was taken from the British by the Americans. At this place he says he continued until late in the fall and was ordered back under the command of John Kingcade and Capt. John Montgomery. And arrived at home about the beginning of Winter having served considerably over the time he had first entered but he cannot say precisely how long over he only goes for the Six months. He thinks he rec'd no written discharge. He says in 1779 he performed another tour of three months as a volunteer from same place under Captain John Kingcade to perform active service as a Spy and Ranger to protect the inhabitants from remorseless and cruel & too common foe of Men, Women & children as it was a continual scene of warfare with them from '76 untill the close of the War and indeed sometime after this applicant is well apprised of a diference having been made between the regulars & the Militia Indian fighters but can (with due respect to his superiors) say there should be none for if any Men suffered it was the Indian fighters. He however now remembers of another tour of three months he performed from same place in 1777 as a volunteer under Captain Kingcade after his tour with Leaper had expired as he entered in May under him and in August following the Indians were not yet left the frontiers on this tour he says he was in continual service Spying & ranging the Country from one post to another untill the fall at which time he says he was discharged – But thinks rec'd no written discharge – Those are all the services he can speak of with certainty. Having served eighteen months at Least And owing to his great age and loss of memory he cannot speak with absolute certainty as to Many short tour he served. And that he would rather be under than over as he would not say anything on oath that was not true he knows the earthly house of this tabernacle must soon be desolved, and he must appear before the Judge of all the earth, he wishes then to stand acquitted – He says he is now old and very infirm and a little from the government will be thankfully rec'd. He says he has no documentary evidence but knows of A. Lynam⁴ a preacher of the gospel by whom he can prove a part of his services. 1st 5th Answered. 2 has a record of his age. 3 answered 4th Do 5th he was in militia altogether & knows of no regular officers 6. Answered, never received a com [commission] He says he knows of A. Lynam a clergyman residing in his neighborhood and Charles Rice residing in same and can testify as to his character for veracity & reputation as a soldier of the revolution. He now resides in Bath County Kentucky. He hereby relinquishes all and every claim to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. He also says the gentlemen who had His first Papers has never

⁴ [Andrew Lynam W9148](#)

⁵ The War Department promulgated regulations governing pension application format and requiring the following 7 interrogatories to be put to each applicant for a pension:

1st Where and in what year were you born?

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

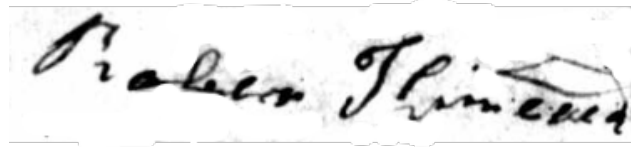
5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

returned them and says they were lost or he would have returned his original declaration he has been compelled to get another one drawn. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Robert Kincaid

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Kincaid", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

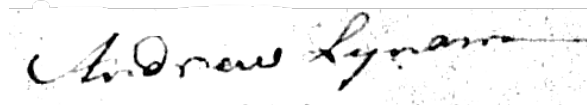
[John Rice, a clergyman, and Charles Rice gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Deposition of Andrew Lyman age 76 years He says he is well acquainted with Robert Kingcaid [sic] whose declaration he has before him. He says he became acquainted with him in 74 or 5. He says he became acquainted with him in Virginia, Washington County. The first 3 months Tour to Elk Garden as spoken of in his deposition he says he was along & know it was performed. He also says he knows of the service under Leaper or [sic, for?] at Least 3 months from my own Knowledge & have no doubt the other 3 months were performed, as he was gone that Long before he returned home after his time was out under Leaper in 1777, the Last 3 months was performed under Captain Kingcaid. As to his Tour in Kentucky I was not along but know he started and was gone at Least as long as he stated in his declaration: I further certify that said Kingcaid is a man of good moral character & entitled to credit

Given under my hand this 21st June 1834

S/ Andrew Lynam

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew Lynam", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[p 28: On January 29, 1847, in Bath County Kentucky, Rebecca Kincaid filed an affidavit in which she states she is the widow of Robert Kincaid, deceased, a pensioner of the United States; that her husband resided in the Counties of Clark and Bath in the State of Kentucky for the space of 34 years before his death, and previous thereto had resided in Washington County Virginia where he was born and raised. She signed this affidavit with her mark.]

[p 19: On June 29, 1858 in Bath County Kentucky, Rebecca Kincaid, aged about 70, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Robert Kincaid, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was legally married to him in 1808 or 9 in Clark County [Kentucky]; that her husband died October 20, 1844; that they raised a family of 11 children; that her name prior to her marriage was Rebecca Evans. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 6: On April 4, 1859 in Bath County Kentucky, Rebecca Kincaid a resident of said County, aged "sixty and more years" filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Robert Kincaid, deceased, a pensioner for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$30 per annum; that her husband died October 20, 1844; that she has remained his widow and is still unmarried; that she was married to Robert Kincaid in Clarke County Kentucky [date left

⁶ The version of this deposition as posted on Fold 3.com is illegibly faint. The image posted on Ancestry.com is illegible.

blank]; and that she had received a warrant for 160 acres of land under the 1855 act. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 56: On September 28, 1868 in Fleming County Kentucky, the widow, age 78, applied for the reinstatement of her pension. Her application was supported by James Kincaid and Ivin Kincaid whose signatures appear as follows:

James Kincaid
Ivin S. Kincaid

Their relationship, if any, to the widow is not stated]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]