

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Kincaid (Kincade) <sup>1</sup> W12029

Anna Kincaid f104SC

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*[Transcriber's note: this application does not contain the usual introductory language found in other applications. From applicant's statements, it appears he was living in Lincoln County North Carolina when he gave the statement set forth below.]*

[p 17]

[North Carolina, Lincoln County]

John Kincaid swears that he was Eighty three years of age on the ninth day of August last which doth appear on the Register of his Father's Bible; that he was born in the County of Cumberland and State of Pennsylvania, removed from there to the (County of York) now York District South Carolina in the year 1772 and where he continued to reside during the War of the Revolution and to the year 1824, from thence he removed to Lincoln County North Carolina where he has and continues to reside; further declares on Oath that the following is a true statement of the services he performed in the forces of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

1 First: that he was drafted for a term of two months; that he served a term of six weeks on Sandy River where a number of Tories were collected (then called Scofulites)<sup>2</sup> under Colonel Neel [Thomas Neel] to the best of his knowledge in the year 1777 or 1778.

2 Second: he volunteered and served a tour of four months under the said Colonel Neel; was marched from York District South Carolina to the River on this side of Augusta in Georgia in the early part of the year 1779.

3 Third: he volunteered and served a tour of ten months against the Cherokee Indians under the said Colonel Neel to the over hill towns [Overhill Towns], he thinks also in the year 1779.

4 Fourth: that he was drafted for two months and served a tour of nine weeks under Major Wallis [sic, Wallace?] at Orangeburg in South Carolina at which time he was appointed and acted as Lieutenant in the year 1780.

6 ~~Fifth~~ Sixth: he was drafted for a tour of two months and served nine weeks at Wright's Bluff on the Congaree some distance below Granby under no higher officers than Captain – at this tour he was appointed and did act as Captain in Company with Captains Miller and Hannah, they were ordered

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt26398-160-55

<sup>2</sup> Scofolite, Scoffelites, Scopholites, Scovelites or Coffelites: A name given to white Tories who dressed up like Indians when attacking patriot fortifications in the hope of deflecting their neighbors' animosity away from themselves and onto the Cherokees who constituted a constant threat to the frontier settlers prior to and throughout the period of the Revolutionary War. The name derived from Joseph Scoffel or Coffel, a Tory, who was active in the loyalist cause from an early period of the war. For an excellent discussion of the "Scoffol Lights," see, Rachel N. Klein, "Frontier Planters and the American Revolution: The South Carolina Backcountry, 1775-1782," in Ronald Hoffman, Thad W. Tate and Peter J. Albert, eds., *An Uncivil War: The Southern Backcountry During the American Revolution*, (Charlottesville: United States Capitol Historical Society by The University Press of Virginia, 1985), 37-69.

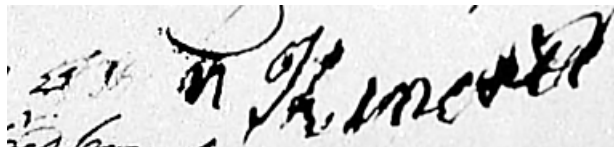
there by Colonel Bratton [William Bratton] for the purpose of preventing Boats from passing up the River to Supply the British with provision, ammuniton &c in the Summer of 1780.

5 ~~Sixth~~ Fifth: he was drafted two months and served a tour of nine weeks, was marched to Briar Creek in Georgia and commanded by Col Watson where he also acted in the Capacity of Lieutenant also in the year 1780 previous to the fifth tour inserted on preceding page.

7 Seventh: he volunteered and joined Genl Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] in the Indian lands in South Carolina, he served under him as a Captain, was marched to Rocky Mount where they had an engagement [July 30, 1780]<sup>3</sup> and where the Junior Colonel Neel was killed, from thence to Friday's Ferry near to where Columbia is now situated and Angram's [sic, Ancrum's] Ferry where they had several small engagements with the British, from thence marched under the same officer below Camden a few days after Gates' [Horatio Gates'] defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780],<sup>4</sup> they were surprised and defeated; after this defeat he fell under Col Hawthorn [James Hawthorn] and was marched to the Wateree [River] where we took Col Phillips (a Tory), his baggage and some other provisions. Were thence marched under Cols Hawthorn and Hill [William Hill] to North Carolina and joined Colonel Graham and there united with the mountain men commanded by Col Campbell [William Campbell], where they had the good fortune to defeat Col Ferguson [sic, Major Patrick Ferguson] at Kings Mountain in October 1780 [October 7, 1780];<sup>5</sup> from the time he joined Colonel Sumter until he returned after the Battle of Kings Mountain he thinks he served a full tour of four months.

8 Eighth: Volunteered and served a tour of five months under Col Hawthorn in York and Chester Districts South Carolina in Scouting parties after Tories – in the year 1781 – that he was in all to the best of his recollection in the service of the United States Twenty Three Months (of which time he acted as Captain eleven months and as Lieutenant four months) at each time of volunteering and drafting that he went from York District South Carolina, that he received for his services Indents or Certificates on the public, that he does not recollect that he ever received any discharge but was dismissed by general orders, that he does not know of any person now living by whom he can prove the foregoing services – and that his name is not now nor never [sic] has been on any pension list whatsoever. & I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present &c.

S/ John Kincaid

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kincaid", written in a cursive style on a light-colored background.

Sworn to & subscribed open court.

S/ Vardry McBee, Clerk

[Bolin T. Kirby, a clergyman, and Andrew Coyle gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 20]

State of North Carolina Lincoln County: Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions April Term 1833 -- April 30

Personally appeared John Kincaid a resident of said County who being sworn saith that he is unable to prove by a commission or living witness that he was Captain as is required by the regulations of the Pension department, he therefore contents himself with securing the pay of a private, he swears that he served twenty-three months in all and for this time he claims a pension -- he swears that he never received a discharge regularly written, he returned always with the officers.

<sup>3</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_rocky\\_mount.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_rocky_mount.html)

<sup>4</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_camden.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html)

<sup>5</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_kings\\_mountain.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_kings_mountain.html)

S/ John Kincaid

Sworn to in open Court  
S/ Vardry McBee, Clerk

[p 86: SC certificate of payments made to John Kincaid for militia service in the Revolution]

State of South Carolina  
Dr To John Kincaid

1780	Feb 20 <sup>th</sup>	62 days as Lieut at Wrights Bluff at 35 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> p	208.10. -
	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	79 do as do Light Horse a 45	177.15. -
	Aug 21 <sup>st</sup>	33 do Captain at 23.5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> p	172.5. -
1781	Jan 8 <sup>th</sup>	21 do as do at Lacey's fort	68.5. -
	March 1 <sup>st</sup>	21 do as do at Colgarces	68.5. -
	April 27	18 do a private Horseman at 20 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> p	18. -
1782	Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>	46. do at Orangeburg footman a 14 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> p 23	
1779	Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>	67 days in Georgia a private of Light Horse at 20 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> p	67. - - -
			£ 703 : 0 : 0
		1 Sorrel Mare <sup>lost</sup> at Rocky Mount appraised at	48.0.0
		1 Gray Horse at Genl. Sumter's Deft at	60.0.0
		1 Do at Friday's fort at	50.0.0
		Losses	158.0.0
			£ 861. - - -
			£ 123

The above attested before me  
Jos. Howe  
J. P.

I do hereby impower Mr. Richard Whitaker  
to receive an Indent for me, to the amount  
of my account from the Treasury of the State  
of South Carolina, and his Receipt shall be a  
sufficient discharge from Gutteridge  
Your Humble Servant  
John Kincaid

Taken and acknowledged  
before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day  
of September 1786  
W. Bralton  
J.P.

Recd 13<sup>th</sup> June 1785 full satisfaction  
for the within, in an Indent N<sup>o</sup> 21 R.  
p. order  
Richard <sup>his</sup> Whitaker  
Witness  
Tho. Nicholls

So Caroline  
Camden District  
Alex<sup>r</sup>. Gillespie  
sworn upon oath as Serjeat mar. the property  
of John Kincaid at forty eight pounds, lost in  
Public Service  
Shewn before  
Jas. M<sup>r</sup> Law  
J.P.

[p 13: On April 1, 1853 in Chester District South Carolina, Anna Kincaid, 60, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act as the widow of John Kincaid a soldier of the revolution who drew a pension of \$76 per annum for his services in the revolution; that she married him September 10, 1817 in York District South Carolina; that her husband died August 10, 1836 or 37; that she knows of no record of her age but the record of her children's ages which is attached commencing with Margaret Elizabeth Dods Kincaid and downward; that she remains a widow. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p 15: family record

Thomas Bohanan born 1774

Margret Elizabeth [sic] Dods Kincaid born December the 7th 1818 Menday [sic]<sup>6</sup>

John Adams Kincaid Born February the 22d 1821 Thursay [sic]

Susanna Martha Kincaid Born February the 21<sup>st</sup> 1823 Friday<sup>7</sup>

William Thomson Kincaid Bor [sic] December the 24<sup>th</sup> 1824 friay [sic]

Joseph Robert Kincaid Born the 21<sup>st</sup> of August 1828 Thursday

<sup>6</sup> She married James W. Henderson

<sup>7</sup> She married a Johnston

Thomas Robinson Bond 1811  
 Margaret Elizabeth Dods Kincaid  
 Born December the 7<sup>th</sup> 1808 Monday  
 John Adams Kincaid Born  
 February the 22<sup>d</sup> 1821 Thursday  
 Susanna Martha Kincaid Born  
 February the 25<sup>th</sup> 1823 Friday  
 William Thomson Kincaid  
 Born December the 24<sup>th</sup> 1824 Friday  
 Joseph Robert Kincaid Born  
 the 26<sup>th</sup> of August 1825 Thursday

[p 10: On April 12, 1855 in Gaston County North Carolina Anna Kincaid, 62, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of John Kincaid, a pensioner for his services in the revolution; that she is a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$76.66 per annum; that she married him in York District South Carolina September 10, 18\_\_ by Squire Joseph McKinney; that her name prior to her marriage was Anna Gregory; that her husband died in Lincoln County in August 1837 and that she remains his widow.]

ANNA KINCAID

[p 95: On November 3, 1865 in York District South Carolina, Anna Kincaid, of Gaston County North Carolina aged 72 years and 5'5" tall and of dark complexion gave the oath of allegiance to the United States which she signed with her mark.]

[p 5: On Nov. 25, 1870, E. Milton Berry and T. L. Brandon, gave testimony that Anna Kincaid was a pensioner; she is now dead after living in Gaston County, NC for 75 years past; the clerk found that

Anna Kincaid was a pensioner at the rate of \$159.32/annum; that she died September 17, 1868 in Gaston County, NC survived by Margaret E. Henderson, heir of John N. Kincaid, dec'd, Wm T. Kincaid, Joseph R. Kincaid "all children of the said Ann Kincaid."]

[Facts in file: Anna Gregory Kincaid was born May 25, 1793; she died September 17 1868; all of her children survived her except John Adams Kincaid.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$76.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 23 months in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$159.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1864 her husband service as a private, Lieutenant & Captain in the South Carolina Infantry & Cavalry.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>8</sup> relating to John Kincaid pp 4  
 Audited Account No. 4286A  
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[p 2]  
 [No. 521 Book R 13 June 1785]  
 Mr. John Kincaid his Account of Duty & Sundries for Militia use in 1779, 1780, 1781, & 1782  
 Amounting to £123 Stg. [Sterling]  
 £158 [old South Carolina] Currency or £22.11.5 Stg. of which is not Certified  
 Ex<sup>d</sup>. W. G. [Examined by William Galvan]  
 J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

Rec'd 13<sup>th</sup> June 1785 full Satisfaction for the within, in an Indent No. 521 – R per Order  
 Witness  
 S/ Thomas Nicholls S/ Richard Whitaker, RW his mark

[p 3]

		State of So. Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to John Kincaid	
1780	Feb. 20	62 days as Lieut. at Wright's Bluff at 35/ <sup>9</sup> p [per day]	£108.10
	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	79 do as do light horse at 45/ <sup>10</sup> [per day]	177.15
	Aug. 21 <sup>st</sup>	53 do Captain at £3.5/ <sup>11</sup> p [per day]	172.5
1781	Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup>	21 do as do at Lacey's Fort	68.5
	March 1 <sup>st</sup>	21 do as do at Congarees	68.5
	April 27 <sup>th</sup>	18 do as Private Horseman at 20/	18
1782	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	46 do at Orangeburg footman at 10/ p	23
1779	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	67 days in Georgia as Private of Light Horse at 20/ p	67
			<u>£703.0.0</u>
		1 Sorrel Mare lost at Rocky Mount appraised at	48.0.0
		1 Gray Horse at Genl. Sumter's defeat <sup>12</sup> at	60.0.0

<sup>8</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

<sup>9</sup> 35 shillings old South Carolina Currency

<sup>10</sup> 45 shillings old South Carolina Currency

<sup>11</sup> old South Carolina Currency

1 do at Friday's fort<sup>13</sup> at

	50.0.0
Losses	<u>158.0.0</u>
	£861
	£123

The above attested Before me  
S/ Jos. Howe, JP

[p 4]

So. Carolina

Camden District } Alexander Gillespy appraises upon Oath a Sorrel Mare the property of John Kincaid  
at forty Eight pounds, lost in Public service

Sworn before

S/ Jno. McCaw, JP

S/ Alex<sup>r</sup> Gillespy



Joshua Patrick appraises upon Oath a Gray Horse the property of John Kincaid lost in Publick service  
at Sixty pounds

S/ Joshua Patrick



Sworn before

S/ Jno. McCaw, JP

South Carolina Camden District } John Armour [sic] upon Oath appraises a Gray Horse lost in  
Publick service the property of John Kincaid at fifty pounds

S/ John Armor



Sworn before

S/ Jno. McCaw, JP

I Do hereby Impour Mr. Ritchard Whitaker to Receive an Indent for me to the amount of my  
accountpt from the treasury of the Steat of South Carrolina and his Recet shall be a Sufficient  
Discharge from Gentelmen your humbel Servant

S/ John Kincaid



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<sup>12</sup> August 18, 1780, Battle of Fishing Creek

[https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_fishing\\_creek.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_fishing_creek.html)

<sup>13</sup> May 14-15 1781 Fort Granby [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_fort\\_granby\\_2.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_fort_granby_2.html)

Taken and acknowledged before me this 9 Day of September 1786  
S/ W. Bratton, JP