

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Kinnin ¹ W8002

Christiana Kinnin f31NC

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State of North Carolina Beaufort County: To wit

On this 22nd day of August 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the Worshipful, the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the said County, now sitting, to wit, Anthony Kinnin, a resident citizen of said County, aged sixty-nine 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.

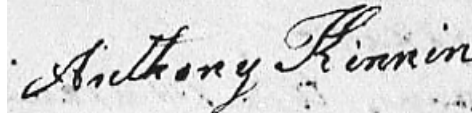
That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that is to say: He was drafted as a militia man in the County of Pitt, in or about the year 1780, but he cannot be positive as to the date, so imperfect is his recollection at this day, & he was then a young man and was mustered in Captain Edward Moore's Company of militia. Colonel Brown [Thomas Brown] commanded the Regiment and Major Dennis [probably William Dennis]: -- which draft was said to be for a three months term: that he was detained in the service upwards of four months before he was discharged there from: he was marched from the place where he was mustered, to Cross Creeks [sic, Cross Creek], now Fayetteville, in this State -- from thence, he was marched to Drowning Creek this state -- from thence he was marched to Pedee [River] and assisted in erecting fortifications at that place -- his Corps received orders at Pedee to join General Green [Nathanael Greene] to assist in storming Camden -- and marched in General Greene's rear after Morgan's Battle, at the Cowpens, and thence he was marched to Guilford Court House in this State -- & remained in Greene's rear until near Dan River, thence he was ordered to march to Wilmington this State -- and was discharged near Cross Creek in this State. Sometime after this discharge, he volunteered under Captain John Godley in a State Regiment commanded by Colonel Gorham [James Gorham] and which was raised for a three months tour. He volunteered in the County of Pitt -- and served in Captain Godley's Company under his said engagement upwards of two months = he was first marched in his said Company to Peter's ferry on Contentnea [Creek], thence he crossed the Neuse [River] at Cox's -- and marched thence towards the Cape Fear [River], but received news of the advance of an enemy -- & retreated to Kinston in this State -- and thence marched to Bryan's Mill on Cold Creek where after a brush with Craig's force, then on his march from New Bern to Cape Fear -- he returned to Peter's ferry, with his Corps -- & pursued the Enemy to South West [River] -- Heath's Mill = thence marched back to Kinston & then all were disbanded. -- his whole term of

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service, was upwards of seven months -- in his two engagements in the Army that he has no documents now in his possession to prove his services and except for his old Associates in arms James Creemer & Jacob O Merry he does not know of any others by whom he can prove the same. 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 except that of the State of North Carolina. That he is now far advanced in years & is a very poor man & has two labor for the support of his family.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid
S/ Wm Ellison, Clk

S/ Anthony Kinnin

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anthony Kinnin". The ink is dark and the paper appears slightly aged.

Jacob O Merry² & James Creemer,³ citizens of the County of Beaufort being sworn here in Court do on their oath state that when they were soldiers in the Army of the Revolution, that he knew & became acquainted with Anthony Kinnin, who signed & swore to the above declaration & knew that he did serve some considerable time as a soldier in that war -- and since then, as a fellow citizen of the same County, they have been & now are well acquainted with him.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written.
S/ Wm Ellison, Clerk

S/ James Creemer, X his mark

S/ Jacob O Merry, X his mark

[Joseph B. Hinton & Reading Grist, both Justices of the Peace, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 16: On December 20, 1854 in Beaufort County North Carolina Christiana Kinnin, aged 73, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Anthony Kinnin; that she married him [date left blank]; that he died October 12, 1843; that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 9: On April 12, 1855 in Beaufort County North Carolina the widow, aged 74, made application for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner and as a pensioner in her own right. She signed this application with her mark. Her application was supported by an affidavit given by Channey Kinnin and Lewis Taylor whose relationship, if any, to the widow and/or the veteran is not stated.]

[Note: the widow's maiden name is not given in the file nor is there any family information in the file also the clerk certifies that he has reviewed the family record.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 13 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.

² [Jacob O. Merry S4592](#)

³ [James Creemer \(Creemer, Craimor\) S2480](#)