Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Petition of Benjamin Trent VAS1865 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From Digital Library of Virginia] Powhatan County Legislative Papers

To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Delegates – the petition of Benjamin Trent

Humbly Sheweth -

That your petitioner's Son, Benjamin Trent Junior, enlisted as a soldier in the Virginia Troops in the month of November 1776 for the term of Eighteen months, and being at Williamsburg on duty in the month of June in the following year was taken sick and died. – That your Petitioner is the heir to the Decedent – His death happening during his minority – that no compensation for the services of the said Decedent has been made, and – your petitioner hopes that your Honorable House will now direct that the same may be granted to him, and as in duty bound he will Pray.

S/ Benjamin Trent

[Reverse]

Trent's petition 12th of November 1791 Referred to Claims Referred Congress rep: '91

Mr. Patteson

[From <u>Digital Library of Virginia</u>] James City County Legislative Petitions

[Note: the petitioner's petition is word for word the same as the petition transcribed above.]

The Claim has not been paid – there's no existing authority for the settlement of it.

Auditors Office 24 November 95

S/ J Pendleton

[Reverse]

Trent's Petition 24 November 95 Claims

[Another file, still in James City County records]

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I cannot find the name of the within mentioned Benjamin Trent on the Register of Certificates issued to the Soldiers for depreciation

Auditors Office

21 December 97

S/S. Shepard

[Reverse]

Trent's Petition December 21, 97 Claims