## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Jacob Trout S1780 Transcribed by Will Graves f26NC rev'd 7/28/17

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[p 3] State of South Carolina, Rowan County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Sessions 1832

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices who are Judges of the Court now sitting Jacob Trout a resident of Rowan County in the State of North Carolina aged about Eighty-Three 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers to wit under Captain Haden [Douglas Hayden], in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Loftin [William Lofton] under General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] that he served the space of six months, that he marched from Rowan County where he then resided & now resides to Wilmington in North Carolina and was at Wilmington under the above named officers at the time Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown in Virginia [Yorktown, October 19, 1781]. That previous to their time he was drafted as a soldier and his parents being old and infirm, he was induced not to go out in person but with the help of his parents hired a substitute – that he gave the sum of money necessary to hire the substitute to Captain Richmond Pearson who hired the substitute for him for the term of 12 months; that he has preserved a certificate of his discharge from the service which is hereto appended as part of this declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court. S/ Jno. Giles, Clk

S/ Jacob Trout, X his mark

Richmond Pearson maketh oath that the Discharge mentioned in the within Declaration of Jacob Trout was put into his hands sometime in the year 1830 for the purpose of enabling him to procure a bounty of land in the State of Tennessee from the State of North Carolina, that upon an investigation of the matter he found that said Trout was not entitled to land under the acts of this State being a militia – that the same was a complete & regular discharge and that he has lost or mislaid the same and is now unable to find it, he does not remember the name of the officer signing the discharge but remembers it was for service in the North Carolina militia.

S/ Richard Pearson Richmond React on Sworn to in open Court 24<sup>th</sup> of August 1832 S/ Jno. Giles, Clk [Jacob Coon and William Deadman gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

[p 6: On July 14, 1837, Jacob Trout applied for a transfer of his pension payments in Gibson County, Tennessee, stating: "he is very old and infirm & unable to make a support for himself. His surviving children have nearly all moved to this state particularly his son Joseph with whom he has mostly lived for many years back, and having no relations remaining in North Carolina with him he was willing to live he moved with his sons family to Tennessee.". The veteran's identity was attested to by George Locke and Joseph Trout (presumably the aforementioned some of the veteran).

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]