## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of Jacob Zeck S3101 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## Robertson County State of Tennessee: November Term 1832

Personally appeared Jacob Zeck Aged Seventy-four years October passed a resident in the County & State aforesaid in Open Court who being first duly sworn according to Law do on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision Made by Act of Congress passed June the 7 1832. That he was born in the State of Pennsylvania in Barracks [sic, Berks County?] County in 10 or 12 Miles of Redingtown [sic, Reading?], born in the year of 1758 October the day of the month not recollected as I have not the Register of my age being left in Pennsylvania in the Church Book so informed of by my parents I was raised in Barracks County and Maden Creek Township [sic, Maidencreek Township] then my Father removed to York County & where I was drafted and went in Service for a tower [tour] of three Months under the following named Officers Captain John Miller of the same Township and marched from York town through Elizabeth town & Trenton from thence to Philadelphia to York town where I was discharged to return home after serving my Tower of duty. This was about two years before the End of the war. My field Officers I do not recollect. I was not in any Battle this Tower but in serving this Tower of duty I strained myself by lifting a log to make a Camp Fire and caused a Rupture which will follow me to my Grave and caused my bodily ability to fact [sic, effect?] me mulch [much] in Laboring for a living. Thereafter I returned home my Father removed to the State of Virginia in Rockingham County near Harrisburg where I Volunteered my Service for a tower of three Months More Mustered in Service and went under the Command of the following named Officers viz. Captain Rice [perhaps John Rice] Rendezvoused at Harrisburg in said County of Rockingham and marched to Richmond from thence to Portsmouth from thence we was Marched and stationed near a British Fort better than three weeks and was Commanded by Colonel Nall [perhaps Lieutenant Colonel William Nalle] & Major Hamilton [perhaps Gawen Hamilton], Nall was dispatched and went to the Assembly then Colonel Boyer took Command & Under General Milbargar [sic, Peter Muhlenberg?] from thence he marched and was stationed near a Large Swamp where we Joined the North Carolina Militia and while Laying there I recollect some Incidents which I will give the detail there was a detachment of fifty Volunteers sent across the swamp to surprise the Tories in that Quarter the Volunteers passed through on fallen Pine Logs they called at a house and they were received as friends and was feasted on honey in the house the Enemy came on them while in the house and the Enemy made a Mistake being two hours in the night [?] and Fired three plattoons [sic, ?] on their Own men it was said I was not in the Action but was Guarding the logs when I heard the Firing this I was Informed of by two women who came the next day to the logs where I stood Guard with red

Cloaks on and I took them under Guard and returned them to the Commandant as I thought they might have been spies &c all our Men came in the first day with the Exception of two unknown what became of them. After that time I was marched home And discharged after serving said tower of three Months or upwards. This was in the spring before Wallis [Cornwallis] was taken at York [Lord Cornwallis surrendered on October 19, 1781]. This being my Last Tower in the revolutionary war Then I remained in Rockingham County Virginia near Harrisburg and married and lived in said County till I removed to the State of Tennessee Robertson County Eighteen or Nineteen years ago where I now live and have my Residence I Further declare my discharges & documentary Evidence I have none of No kind by which I can Establish my services as a Revolutionary soldier Independent of my own declaration Nor never had Any in Consequence I never applied for Any – and as the Money was worth nothing I did not apply for pay or written discharges. Now I Further declare I have never received any Pay or Pension nor been placed on Any pension Roll in this or any Other State whatsoever and do hereby Relinquish all claim whatever to a pension or annuity Except the present.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 14<sup>th</sup> of November in the year of 1832 In Open Court. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

**Test** 

S/W. Leat Clk.

S/ Jacob Zeck, X his mark

[Martin Walton and James Doss gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private in the Pennsylvania and Virginia militia.]