## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Weeks (Wheeks) S3491	fn12NC
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State of Tennessee Montgomery County: SS

This 23rd day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 Joseph Wheeks aged seventy-two years a resident of said County personally appeared in open Court & being duly sworn according to law, doth upon his oath make the following declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832 for the benefit of Revolutionary soldiers, that he was born the 12th of November 1760 as he was informed by his parents & as he believes he never having had or seen a Record of his age, in the County of Halifax in the State of North Carolina -- that he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in the month of March 1777 for a tour of duty of 6 months in a company commanded by Captain Jarvis in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Jonas Johnson [sic, Jonas Johnston<sup>1</sup>] that they first marched to Hillsboro & shortly after they left Hillsboro Captain Jarvis was made a Major in the Regiment & Lieutenant Sharrod [Sherrod?] succeeded him as a Captain -- the Regiment to which he was attached continued in North Carolina for about two months & a half after he entered the service -- they were then marched into South Carolina & on to Augusta in the State of Georgia & then they marched to a place called the Two Sisters on the Savannah [River] & then to Bacon's Bridge above Charleston & then to Stono where a battle was fought with the British on the 20th of June on a Sunday morning -- that he drove the baggage wagon of Colonel Johnson & was left with Major Jarvis who was sick at the camp about four miles from Stono at the time the battle took place -- they continued there until their time expired in July when they were discharged -- he says that General Butler [John Butler] was the commander of the Brigade to which he was attached & that General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] was the commander of the American forces -- that he then returned home -- that he again entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Branch for a tour of three months in a company commanded by Isaac Harris as he thinks but is not certain -- that he was immediately [indecipherable word, could be 'detailed'] & did drive the baggage wagon of Colonel Branch until the three months expired -- that they first marched to Hillsboro -- then to Salisbury & then to New Providence on the six mile Creek where they were stationed & a part of the man went to the Waxhaws & took a fort & brought some [of] the prisoners back who were said to be Tories -he entered into the service in the preceding campaign in the fall of the year but whether in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> W21470 Jonas Johnston (Johnson)

year of 1777 or 1778 he is not certain -- his term of service having expired, he again returned home -- that he again entered the service in the next August as a volunteer in a company of Cavalry commanded by Captain Howell Tatom [sic, Howell Tatum] and was stationed some time at Hamilton's old store near Halifax Court house & they then marched to Tarborough & remained stationed for some time below Tarborough, when his horse accidentally fell down with him and wounded him very badly & in consequence of his being unable to perform further service he was discharged & went home, he thinks he served about half his tour out before he was wounded & discharged -- that after this time a large number of prisoners called Tories were taken in the County of Duplin & sent to the County of Halifax to be guarded -- that for this service he volunteered for a tour of 3 months in a company commanded by Captain Kid [? Kidd?] & Lieutenant Dolphin Davis that he continued in that service until his time expired having marched them into Duplin County & given them up to the Colonel Commandant of Duplin County & returned home -- that he received discharges from his officers for the four tours of service performed by him -- that when removed from North Carolina in 1802 he left his discharges with other old papers that he deemed of no value & he presumes they are all destroyed that he has no written evidence by which he can prove the performance of his services & he knows of no living witness by whom he can prove them except the tour under Colonel Branch by James Holt who he understands his still living -- that after the war he continued to reside in Halifax until he removed to the State of Tennessee in 1802 -- he first settled in the County of Sumner & then removed to the County of Robertson in said State & finally settled himself in 1805 in the County of Montgomery where he has ever since resided -- that he hereby relinquishes all claim upon the Government for any pension or annuity except the present -- that he is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court Test: S/ Andrew Vance, Clerk S/ Joseph Wheeks, X his mark

[Zachariah Grant and Dudley Council gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran pensioned at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9 1/2 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]