## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Harrard (Harward) R4633 fn14NC Transcribed by Will Graves 4/13/11

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## State of North Carolina Wake County

Bry Harward Rosa Castleberry, Roda Wheeler wife of James we are and James Wheeler and Mila H. Yates being duly sworn depose and say that they are the children and the only surviving children of John Harward and Sarah his wife. That said John was a private soldier in the War of the Revolution and actually served for a term of six months and was honorably discharged shortly before the close of the War. That they have no documentary evidence of his service and do not know in what company or Regiment he served, except from the statement of Jordan Stewart a Revolutionary Pensioner whose deposition is hereto annexed, but they have often heard their father speak in his lifetime of his service and never heard it doubted. That said John Harwood died about one September 1842, his wife Sarah, whose name before her marriage had been Sarah she Sears, having died about 2 years before. That there is no public or private record of the marriage, but it is notorious in the neighborhood that they lived together as man and wife for near 70 years.

Sworn to in open Court by order of said court I have hereunto affixed my name and affixed the seal of said Court this the day of A. D. 1857

Jordan Stewart<sup>1</sup> being duly sworn deposes and says that he is to the best of his knowledge and belief 107 years old; and is now a Pensioner in the Rolls for Service in the War of the Revolution. That he does not recollect the name of his Captain nor of his Colonel, but his enlistment Colonel was Robert Mumford. He knows and remembers well that John Harwood served in the same company with him for a term of 6 months and was honorably discharged just before Cornwallis was taken

Sworn to and subscribed before me a justice of the peace for Wake County this 5th day of May 1857

S/ G. Beckwith, JP S/ Jordan Steward, X his mark

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Jordan (Jurdon) Stewart (Stuart) R10160

[fn p. 14: certificate dated August 21, 1857 from the North Carolina Comptroller showing payments made to a John Harrard for militia service during the revolutionary war.]