Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jacob Louts S4567 Transcribed by Will Graves

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The State of Ohio Gallia County: SS

On this 25th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Gallia and State of Ohio now sitting (and being a court of Record) Jacob Louts a resident of Wilkesville Township in the County of Gallia aged seventy-one years on the 21st day of December 1832 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, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was drafted for three months into the militia of Virginia was drafted at Stover's Town [also spelled Stoverstown and also known as Strasburg] in Shenandoah County was placed under the command of Captain John Brown Lieutenant John Hover [John Hoover] & Ensign David Goladay [David Galladay] after the company was organized it was marched to Winchester in Virginia and took charge of British prisoners taken by General Morgan in North Carolina and brought to Winchester the Company in which this declarant was mustered was joined at Winchester by companies commanded by Captain Crookshanks [John Crookshanks], Captain Secon [John Sehorn] and Captain Reynolds this declarant was drafted late in the fall or early part of the winter and continued to guard said prisoners through the winter being retained a few weeks after his time expired before the Frederick militia from Maryland came on to take charge of the prisoners [to] Frederick Town where they were afterwards taken. This declarant does not now remember the year but thinks it was in 1778. In the spring of 1781 this declarant was again drafted for three months into the Virginia Militia at Shenandoah County and was put under the command of Captain Thomas Marshall the names of the Lieutenant & Ensign are not at this time remembered he thinks the company was attached to the 8th Virginia Regiment General Mulenburg [Peter Muhlenberg] was the Commander in Chief the Army was destined to watch the movements of the British General Cornwallis who was then with his force on James River during the three months the American Army to which this declarant belonged was marching and countermarching in pursuit of General Cornwallis – this declarant served out the two tours of duty consisting of three months each amounting in the whole to six months and was honorably discharged the first time at Stover's Town in Shenandoah County by Captain John Brown by a written discharge which has been lost by time and accident and at the close of the second tour he was discharged by Captain Thomas Marshall at Stover's Town aforesaid by a written discharge which is also lost and this declarant has no knowledge at this time where either of them are. This declarant was born in Stover's Town Shenandoah County Virginia on the 21st day of December 1761 as he has been told by his

parents and others – he has no record of his age – lived at Stover's Town when drafted and after the close of the war he lived in Stover's Town until sometime in the fall of 1783 when he moved to Winchester where he lived three years then moved to Berkeley County Virginia then moved to Greenbrier County Virginia where he resided about six years then moved to Bath County Virginia where he lived six years when he moved to Gallia County State of Ohio where he has lived ever since and still live – he further states he has no documentary evidence and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service – 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 – He further states that there is no clergyman living in his neighborhood whom he is acquainted [with] but he can name persons Joseph Fletcher & Matthew Edmonson who can testify to his character and who can state as to the report of his service in the Revolutionary war.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Francis LeClereq, Clk S/ Jacob Louts, X his mark [Joseph Fletcher and Matthew Edmiston gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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