## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Peck<sup>1</sup> W11373 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## Virginia Augusta County, to wit,

Joseph Peck of the County aforesaid, personally appeared before me Archibald Stuart Judge of the 8th Judicial District in the said State of Virginia (of which District the said County of Augusta is a part) & one of the Judges of the General Court of the State aforesaid & being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, declarant and saith, That on this 6th day of March 1777 he enlisted as a Marine for twelve months on board the *Trumbull* Frigate lying in Connecticut River as a guard ship, commanded by Captain Dudley Sallteson [Dudley Saltonstall]<sup>2</sup>; That he served on board the *Trumbull* for ten months & ten days, when on an application for Marines to man the Warren Frigate of thirty-six guns, commanded by Captain John Hopkins, for a cruise, this Affiant volunteered his services for that purpose; – the War and was at that time lying in Providence River Rhode Island, blockaded by the British Fleet; – That he went to sea in the Warren, which after making several Captures returned to Boston Bay on the 3rd April 1778, where the Affiant, & the company to which he was attached, were dismissed, after receiving their bounty for running out the Frigate; – This Affiant, at the same time, received certificates for the balance of his wages, amounting to £21.6.6, which certificates he afterwards accidentally lost – This Affiant subsequently performed sundry tours of service for short periods, both by Land & Sea, but not as a regular soldier or Marine. At the time this Affiant was dismissed, or discharge, as above mentioned, no regular discharge was given to him, or to any other of the Company: - The whole company was discharged, & certificates for their arrears of pay given to them, which certificates were the only evidence of their service.

This Affiant further saith, that he is not a pensioner of the United States, nor does he receive a pension from any other service; That he is aged & infirm, – unable to support himself, – and in such indigent circumstances as to stand in need of the aid of his government for support. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 31st day of July 1819 S/ Archibald Stuart

## State of Virginia Augusta County, to wit

On this 29 day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record) in which proceedings are had according to the course of the common law; with jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, having the power of fine and in resentment & having

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BLWt44841-160-55

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See the biographical notes relating to this officer posted at http://www.awiatsea.com/Officers/Officers%20S.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> John Burroughs (Burrows) Hopkins. See the biographical notes relating to this officer posted at http://www.awiatsea.com/Officers/Officers/20H.html

all its proceedings duly registered, Joseph Peck aged about sixty-one years, resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows; that he was enlisted for twelve months on the 8th day of March 1777 by Lieutenant Cortland of the Frigate Trumbull; commanded by Dudley Salterston, and that he was immediately put upon duty and continued to serve on board of said ship for 10 months and 10 days, during all which time she was stationed as a guard ship at the mouth of Connecticut River, that he was then transferred to the Frigate Warren commanded by John Hopkins in which ship he served 4 months and upwards and belonged to her when she passed through the British fleet at the mouth of Providence River, & that he was discharged on the day of April 1778. He has heretofore made a declaration under the act of Congress passed the 18th day of March 1818; the date of which he does not recollect his pension Certificate is dated the 30th of July 1819. And he solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed, he has no family, and is unable from a dislocated wrist to follow his occupation, (which is that of a Shoemaker), to any extent, Schedule one pair of old spoon molds, one shoemakers hammer and pincers some awls, locks &c

S/ Joseph Peck, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on the 29th day of August 1820 in open court S/ Erasmus Stribling

[f p. 12: On April 4, 1855 in Augusta County Virginia, Mrs. Nancy Savage, formerly Nancy Peck, 70, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of Joseph Peck, deceased, a revolutionary war pensioner who died in 1828 in Augusta County Virginia; that she was married to him in Augusta County on November 18, 1824 by the Reverend Mr. Cole [Josiah Cole] a Minister of the gospel; that her name prior to her marriage was Nancy Hook the; that subsequent to the death of Joseph Peck she on April 2, 1834 married in Augusta County George Savage who died in 1835 or 1836 and that she is now a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 31, 1819, for service as a Marine in the US Navy for one-year. Veteran's former widow was pensioned in the amount of \$96 per annum.]