

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Ruple R9085

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State of South Carolina Orangeburg District

On this 22nd day of October 1834 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Richard Gantt one of the Judges of the said State, John Ruple a resident of the District and State aforesaid aged seventy years 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 7th 1832. --

He entered the service, as a drafted militia, 2 months after the battle of Eutaw, or about the month of November 1781, under Captain Jacob Ott and Colonel & Major Sabb. After he was drafted he marched from this place of residence in Orangeburg District to Wadboo Lake, & was stationed there for six weeks. General Marion was also, at that time at the Lake, and was in command of all the Troops. The Declarant was never in any engagement, nor did any of Kerr while his draft continued. Occasional skirmishes with the cavalry was all the fighting he saw while stationed at Wadboo. Except this term of six weeks service, he never performed any other military duty, only a short intervals when he was called out in Captain Ott's corps to suppress the Tories, & was once stationed while performing this duty at Bellville. He cannot, however, specify any time except the six weeks when he was at Wadboo.

He has no discharge or any other papers which will show the length of his service, & if he had any, it must have been lost. Mr. Andrew Houser<sup>1</sup> is the only person living with whom he is acquainted, that can testify to his service -- He never served in any other capacity than as a private soldier.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Before me

S/ Richard Gantt

S/ John Ruple, X his mark

[Joseph Winningham, a clergyman, and Andrew Houser gave the standard supporting affidavit together with the following statement from Houser: "and the said Andrew Houser further certifies that he was stationed with the said John Rupel about the time set forth in his declaration at Wadboo Lake."]

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<sup>1</sup> [Andrew Houser S21829](#)