

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Christopher Trotter S40593

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State of Ohio Adams County SS

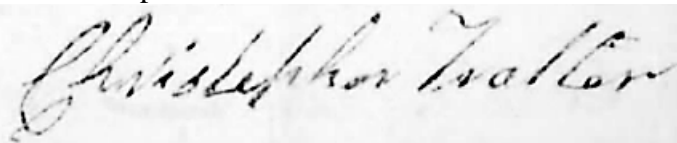
I hereby certify that this day Christopher Trotter a citizen of the United States and this state personally appeared before the undersigned a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County aforesaid being duly sworn according to law made the following declaration under oath.

First that he served between four and five years in the Army of the United States in the Revolutionary war against the common enemy in the Virginia line on Continental establishment
2nd That he enlisted under Captain John Melton [John Milton?] and Colonel Joseph Crockett's Regiment for the term of two years and served the term for which he had enlisted, after which he enlisted in Captain Leburts [? could be Seburt's¹] Company in Colonel Armong's [Col. Charles Armand, Marquis de la Rouarie] Regiment in which he served till the Close of the War.

3rd That after the conclusion of peace he procured from Colonel Armong an honorable and regular discharge in due form and left the Army but that his discharge aforesaid as well as the discharge he obtained from Colonel Crockett has been either lost or mislaid

4th That there is not at this time any person in this State within the knowledge of the said Christopher Trotter by whom he can prove any of the foregoing facts, but by going to Colonel Crockett in the State of Kentucky he believes he can prove some of them

5th That he never had nor received any pension from the United States & therefore thinks it not necessary to make any formal relinquishment of a pension.



[Attested April 17, 1818 by Job Dinning, JP]

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Supreme Court of the State of Ohio

On this 10th day of May 1821 personally appeared in open court being a Court of record having the power of fine and imprisonment Christopher Trotter aged sixty-two years in last


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October resident in the State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. He enlisted at Martinsburg Berkeley County Virginia in the year 1781 in the company of Regulars commanded by Captain John Melton and of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Crockett and of the Western Battalion under General Clarke [George Rogers Clark] on Continental establishment, and marched to the falls of the Ohio where he remained in the service two years & was there discharged and then he returned back to Virginia and again enlisted at Winchester in the Troop of Cavalry commanded by Captain Labant² [Labaut] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Armong, and was marched thence to little York Pennsylvania and was there discharged, and that he now has a Certificate in his possession of which the following is a copy

"War Department revolutionary Claims

I Certify that in conformity with the law of the United States of the 18th of March 1818 Christopher Trotter late a private in the Army of the Revolution is inscribed on the Pension List Roll of the Ohio Agency at the rate of eight dollars per month to commence on the 14th day of April 1818. Given at the War Office of the United States this 13th day of December 1818.

Public Seal 5134

J. C. Calhoun, Secretary of War"

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself 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 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

S/ Christopher Trotter, X his mark

Schedule

No property real or personal of any kind

S/ Christopher Trotter, X his mark

Sworn and declared on the 10th day of May 1821 in open Court

S/ Joseph Darlinton, Clerk

[facts in file: Veteran was born in October 1758 and died in 1828, month not stated; there is no family data in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per annum commencing April 17, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

² *Labant.*