

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wright VAS1716

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[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

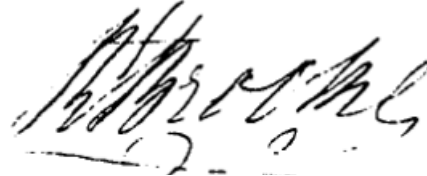
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I do with the advice of Council hereby certify that John Wright, who served as a Soldier in the Regiment of Militia, belonging to this Commonwealth, Commanded by Colonel Charles Lynch, and who was dangerously wounded at the battle of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], is put on the List of Pensioners with an allowance of twelve pounds per annum commencing the 5th day of December 1793 according to law.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 17th day of December 1794.

S/ Samuel Coleman

S/ Rbt Brooke [Robert Brooke]



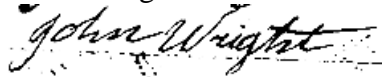
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Know all men by these presents that I John Wright of Bedford County do hereby Constitute and appoint Captain Thomas Lumpkins, my lawful attorney for the express purpose of receiving of the Treasurer of this Commonwealth fifteen pounds which was granted to me as a pensioner for my present relief, by the General Assembly of Virginia & I do by these presents authorize & empower the said Thomas Lumpkins in my name & for my use to receive of the said treasurer of Virginia the said sum of fifteen pounds. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of June 1794.

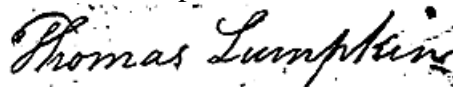
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S/ Will Trigg Jr

S/ John Wright



S/ Thomas Lumpkin



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He served in Colonel Lynch's Regiment of Militia the time he was disabled and that he now resides in the state of Virginia and County of Bedford, and has resided there for the last fifty-six years – previous to which time he resided in the County of Goochland. Given under my hand and seal this 12 day of January 1825

S/ William Strewsbury

[Note: The documents in the file reflect the annual authorization, appropriation, disbursement and receipt of the pension through January 1826. The pensioner continued to be a resident of Bedford County through that date. There is no indication in this file as to when or where the pensioner died.]

[Note: Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, *Revolutionary War Pensions Awarded by State Governments 1775-1874, the General and Federal Governments Prior to 1814, and by Private Acts of Congress to 1905*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Company, 2011, p 896

"Wright, John, Va. – He was in Bedford County on 27 June 1794. He was in the militia under Colonel Charles Lynch. He was dangerously wounded at the battle of Guilford by a musket ball which fractured the bones of his head and occasioned an exfoliation. He had a wife and 5 small children. He received £15 relief and a pension of £12 per annum on 5 December 1793."]