

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia Bounty-Land Claim of John Winfree VAS1732

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[From [Revolutionary bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#). The online image is partly illegible and partly missing.]

I do certify that John Winfre was a Soldier in the Revolutionary War, that he served in my Company in the Southern Army as a Sergeant, and some time acted as Adjutant to the Regm't. He was wounded in the action at Camden in South Carolina in the year [blank; see endnote] and died shortly after of the Wound.

Given under my hand this 29 day of [illegible] 1810

[William Bentley, pension application S37745]

late a Capt. of the Virg'a Line

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. Bentley". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat stylized and difficult to decipher.

John Winfre [illegible word] for three years in the first enlistment. I cannot [several illegible words] afterwards for the War; Had he not been killed, the three years for which he engaged would [one or two illegible words] out the War as many who engaged when he did, was [the rest missing].

NOTE: The "action at Camden in South Carolina" could refer either to the Battle of Camden on 16 Aug 1780 or the Battle of Hobkirk Hill on 25 Apr 1781. Several pension applications state that Bentley was at the Battle of Hobkirk Hill, and none say that he was at the Battle of Camden, so it appears more likely that Winfree was mortally wounded at the Battle of Hobkirk Hill.