

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Larkin Chew VAS1813

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[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Spotsylvania County Legislative papers

To the Hon. the Speaker and Gentleman of the House of Delegates

The petition of Larkin Chew of the County of Spotsylvania Humbly Sheweth.

That your petitioner in the late War on the Frontiers of this Commonwealth served in the Capacity of Lieutenant, and unfortunately received a Wound which rendered him incapable of Labour, the Hon. House of Assembly, then thought fit to allow your petitioner the sum of Forty pounds per annum for his support, which was then full sufficient But our currency being now depreciated to a most alarming degree, and every necessary [necessity] of life so high, that your petitioner finds the said sum of Forty pounds insufficient for the purpose aforesaid.

Your Petitioner prays this Hon. House to make him such further Allowance as they shall think proper and he is in duty bound shall pray &c

S/ Larkin Chew

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larkin Chew". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. Below the name, there are several decorative loops and flourishes.

October 1779

[Reverse]

Chew's petition  
November 10, 1779  
Referred to Trade  
reasonable  
Allowed £50  
Stubblefield