

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Burk VAS2785
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The Petition of James Burk [S6649] respectfully states that he is the heir of John Burk who was a Carpenter in the Virginia Navy for more than three years during the Revolution, & never rec'd any land Bounty from the State.

He served on Board the Patriot under Captain Barron [Richard Barron R5]. The affidavits of respectable witnesses both having personal knowledge of the fact have been obtained and with Petitioners affidavit are now submitted with the prayer that the same bounty given to other Carpenters of the navy may be allowed for the services aforesaid. James Burk/ by his atto./ T Green

I certify that John Burk served in the Capacity of Carpenter in the Virginia Navy in the Revolutionary War for the term of three years 1778, 1779 and 1780 and was discharged honorably at the expiration of his time. He served on board the *Patriot* Vessel in the Virginia Navy, Commanded by Capt Rich'd Barron. I was in the service at the same time and in the same Vessel

Witness my hand and seal this 5th day of January 1831 ;

James Burk

[Elizabeth City County]



I certify that John Burk served a considerable time during the Revolutionary War in the Virginia Navy. I do not recollect his grade, but can speak with confidence of his merit while in the service & moreover, to the best of my belief & recollection, that he was wounded at the same time that Commodore Taylor [Richard Taylor S25873] was wounded. Given under my hand & seal this 6th day of January 1831. [Norfolk County] James Barron [VAS1949]



I certify that John Burk was in Service with me Three years in the Virginia Navy in the Revolutionary War between the United States & Great Britain. [Several undeciphered words.] in the capacity of Carpenter of Each vessel. [Several undeciphered words] on board the Patriot [undeciphered] my hand this 29th day of January 1831. Wm Jennings Sr [S5615] [Norfolk Borough]



[Another certificate by William Jennings with the same date is mostly illegible.]

[The following, indexed as Burk, John Smith, is assumed to pertain to the above John Burk.]
These are to Certify that John Smith Burk Inlisted in the navy of this Sate the 15th of July 1777 & served his three years as Seaman & Carpenter Given under my hand this 6th of October 1783
Copy/ J. Pendleton Jr James Barron [W12264]/ Com'd S. N.

NOTE: The file of this John Burk also includes a document pertaining to John Burk VAS2786.