

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wilborne (Wilbourne) VAS404

vsl 8VA

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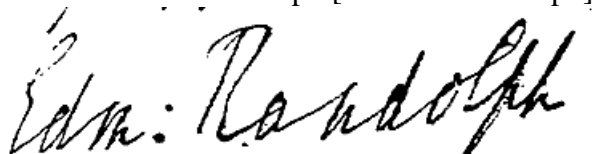
[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do with the advice of Council hereby Certify that William Wilborne, aged about 25 years, the a Private in a Detachment of the Virginia line under the command of Colonel Buford, and whose pay was at the rate of £24 per annum, was disabled in the Service of the United States by several wounds received at the Battle of Waxsaw [Buford's Defeat, May 29, 1780]; and that he is allowed the Some of Twelve pounds yearly from the first day of January 1786.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 19th day of June 1788

T. Meriwether

S/ Edm Randolph [Edmund Randolph]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edm. Randolph". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the left of a vertical line.

At a Court of Quarterly Session held for Sussex County

The 21st day of August 1788

William Wilborne late pensioner on the list and having produced the Governor Warrant for £12—and upon Examination of Doctor John Trezvant warrants [?] that the Wounds he received in the Defeat of Colo. Buford hath rendered him unable to Labour for his Living and that he is a proper object for a Pensioner and it is Ordered that the Sheriff pay him the said Sum of Twelve Pounds

A Copy

Michl. Bailey, Clerk

[Note: Lloyd de Witt Boskstruck, *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, 2001, p. 870 has an entry indicating that the veteran lost one hand and his other was much disabled at Buford's Defeat. The veteran was awarded a gratuity of £300 December 14, 1780. He was still listed on the pension list as of 1813. His name also appears as William Wilburn and William Wellboure. Leon Harris has discovered an entry in the Virginia pension files indexed under the name "Cook, ___" which contains the following note: "William Wilborne, a Soldier, wounded in Buford's Defeat and is considered unable to procure a living having lost one of his hands & the other much disabled." The document discovered by Leon contains references to a number of other disabled veterans or their widows and can be found in his transcription of [John Clark VAS278](#).]