

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Skinner R91

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Va. Sea Service

Skinner, James

R91

Va. Half Pay

Capt. James Skinner [Virginia Navy]

Department of the Interior
General Land Office
Washington DC May 10 1889
Honorable Commissioner of Pensions
City

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 10th instant I have the honor to advise you that the half pay papers in the claim of Captain James Skinner cannot be found in the files of this office and our records do not show that a warrant was ever issued for the services of Captain James Skinner.

Please find here with the half pay papers in the case of Lieutenant John Dudley Va. Navy Revolutionary war, as requested by you.

Very respectfully
S. M. Fockslayer [?]
Commissioner

[Note: I cannot find among any of the sources available to me any reference to a Captain named James Skinner who served in the Virginia Navy during the Revolution.]