

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of John Butler S30295

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[Punctuation partly corrected. Butler made a declaration similar to the following on 17 Oct 1832 that failed to specify the length of service or his rank.]

State of Kentucky } Sgt.

Morgan County }

On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1833 personally appeared before John S. Oakley Samuel R. Turner John Williams & Mason Williams Esquires Justices of the peace for Morgan County while sitting as a court of record for said County of Morgan John Butler a resident of Morgan County and State of Kentucky age seventy one years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That He enlisted in the army of the United in the month of March 1780 under the following named officers as a regular or private soldier He was enlisted for the term of two years by Edmond Tate and served in the 4<sup>th</sup> redgement of the Virginia State troops under the Command of Col. Joseph Crockett and Major Wales [sic: George Walls] and was attached to the Company commanded by Captain John Chapman and he served in said redgement & company during the whole of his service up to the time of his discharge which was in December 1781. He states further that Capt John Chapman was killed by the Indians in August 1781 and his company was then Commanded by his first Lieutanant Bullock [compare Daniel Blankenship (Blankinship) pension application S10390]. He states that he was enlisted as a regular or private soldier for two years as before set forth in the month of march 1780. at the time of his enlistment he was residing in Bedford County in the State of Virginia and was marched from said County of Bedford to Albemarl Barricks in Albemarl County state of Virginia. while stationed at that place part of his time he was engaged in guarding the Troops of Burgoin after they was taken [sic: troops of Burgoyne captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and brought to Albemarle Barracks in Jan 1779]. He remained at Albemarl Barricks untill the latter part of the year 1780 when he was marched from that place to Frederick Town in the State of Maryland at which place he remained but a short time. He was then marched to Shepardstown on the Patomac river [sic: Shepherdstown on Potomac River] whear he remained untill the Spring 1781. From that place he was marched to the Mannigahale river [sic: Monongahela River] and there took water and decended the river to the Falls of the Ohio [at present Louisville KY] whear he was stationed untill the fall of that year (Capt Chapman having been killed by the Indians while he was stationed at the Falls of the Ohio River. – He was then marched in the month of November 1781 from the Falls of the Ohio to Harrasburgh [sic: Harrodsburg] in the now State of Kentucky. at that place he was stationed a short time and when Col. Crockett attempted to march his men from that place back to Virginia. He this affiant was sick and unable to march owing to a feaver and He applied to Col. Crockett for a discharge and He Col. Crockett directed Bullock the first Lieutenant who then had the command of the Company to give him a discharge which he did in the month of Dec'r. 1781. He remained in Kentucky untill the Spring 1782 and then he returned to Virginia. He remained in Virginia untill the fall of the year 1784 when he left that State and returned to the state of Kentucky whear he has resided ever since. at the time he left Virginia He left his discharge in the possession of Mrs. Anderson of that State and he has never seen it from that time untill the present. He states that from the time he was enlisted which was in March 1780 untill he was discharged which was in December 1781 He was attached to the Company and Redgement before set forth under the command of the officers aforesaid as a regular or private soldier and during the whole time He was in actual service either on the march or stationed at the different places set forth. He knows of no person who he can prove his services by. He has an aged infirm Sister who knows that he entered the service as a regular soldier who is unable

to ride to Court.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state (if any) only on that of the agency in the State of Virginia

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.      [signed] John Butler