

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel Burton S39254

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Amelia County, Virginia to Wit

On this fourteenth day of September Eighteen hundred and twenty, before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid (Amelia) personally appeared Samuel Burton, Who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Capt. Talton Payne [sic: Tarleton Payne] in the Regt. commanded by Colo. Richard Parker of the first Virginia Regt. of new levies in the service of the United States, that his name was placed on the pension Roll of the State of Virginia and, that he never received a Certificate to that fact.

Virginia County of Amelia SS

On this 28th day of June 1827 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the county of Amelia Samuel Burton resident in said county aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18 March 1818 and the first May 1820 that he the said Burton enlisted for the term of eighteen months on the [blank] day of February in the year 1779 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by captain Tarlton Payne in the regiment commanded by Colonel Richard Parker in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until sometime in 1781 when he was discharged from the said service at Chesterfield Courthouse in the State of Virginia. that he was severely wounded in the thigh by a musket ball at Savannah Georgia in October 1779 [Siege of Savannah, 16 Sep - 19 Oct] that he was afterwards taken prisoner in Charleston South Carolina [12 May 1780] and kept confined about two months when he effected his escape. And in pursuance of the act of the first May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Saml Burton

List of property now in possession of Samuel Burton this 25 May 1827

One case value.....	\$2 —
One Trunk.	1 —
One Table.....	1 —
One pr. cart wheels.....	4 —
One Dagon plough.	2 50
One harrow.	1 —
One Trowel plough.....	50
.....	\$12 00
One negro man Tom \$400 one horse \$50. . .	450 00
	\$462 00

List of debts due sundrie persons

Due Christopher Ford.....	\$34 —
James Chappell.	24 —
James Hillsman at xmas.....	56 —

Jacob Whitsworth at xmas. 8 –
Henry T Drewry. 250 00
379 00

Saml. Burton 28th June 1827

[The file includes itemization of the above debts.]

At a court held for the County of Amelia at the courthouse thereof on Thursday the twenty third day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven before the Justices of the peace for said county.

On the application of Samuel Burton for a Certificate for a pension, the former application having been returned for amendment. Samuel Burton appeared in Court made this further declaration on oath, that he has disposed of no property since the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen except his cows and two yearlings by a Constable to satisfy an execution which sold for Twenty two dollars and Seventy Cents – and the reason for not applying earlier he hoped by care, industry and economy to be enabled to live upon what he had and the pension he was then receiving as an invalid Soldier without asking further aid from his Country but now age and misfortune renders assistance necessary –

NOTE:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Samuel Burton/ age 22/ height 5 8½/ farmer/ born and residing in Amelia County/ brown hair/gray eyes/dark complexion/ enlisted 10 Feb 1779 for 18 months. Discharged.

A Treasury-Department document states that the administrator of Burton's estate received the final pension payment up to the date of his death on 16 Feb 1841.