

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Bushong S9297

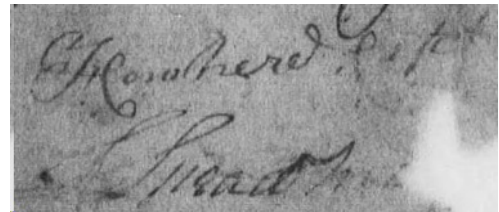
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[Capitalization partly corrected.]

Columbiana county } Personally appeared before the subscriber one of the Associate Judges
State of Ohio Ss } of the fifth district of Ohio; Jacob Bushong aged sixty four years being a
citizen of the aforesaid district; and after being Sworn as the Law directs, Deposeth and saith That
sometime in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty he engaged with a Captain Ransdal
[possibly Thomas Ransdell] belonging to Collonel Bluefords [sic: Col. Abraham Buford's] Regiment in the
virginia line but Captain Ransdale resigning he was put under the Command of Captain Francis
Cowherd under whom he served as a Soldier and Gunsmith the whole time of his Service Specified in his
Discharge which is enclosed in this Deposition, he further saith that he never received any pay for the
abovesaid service only a few dollars for his Artificiers work which was then of no account he further
saith that he was in the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] Camdon [sic: probably
Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] and at the siege of Ninety Six [SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] as
also at the battle of the Eutaws [Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] and some other small skirmishes and that
at the battle of Camdon under General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] he was either wounded by a ball or
in the movement his shin broke which turned to a running sore which run thirty three years which with
the nonpayment of his services doctor bills and the depreciation of paper currency in his absence of
which he has several hundred dollars on hand yet has reduced him to such circumstances as to need the
support of his Country and further saith not Sworn to and subscribed this fifteenth day of May 1818
[signed] Jacob Bushong

The bearer hereof Jacob Bushong a soldier 2^d Virg'a Detachment Capt'n. Cowherd's Comp'y. haveing
served eighteen months Being the term for which he was engaged, is hereby discharg'd from said
Detachment, in which We Certify that he hath Behaved as a Brave and faithful Soldier. Given at Salsbury
[sic: Salisbury NC] this Seventeenth day of January 1782

[Signed F Cowherd Capt
S Snead Maj (Smith Snead, Major)]

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "F. Cowherd". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

Registered in the Book of the Detachment/ [signed] F. Cowherd Capt.

For the Purpose of obtaing the benefit of "An act for the relief of Certain Surviving officers & soldiers of
the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th of May AD 1828 I Jacob Bushong of stark County State
of Ohio Do hereby Declare that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution for and
during the war and continued in its servise untill its termination. At which period I was a private and and
an Artificer (that is when off duty I repaired the arms of my company as a gun and blacksmith) in
Captain Thomas Bells Company at that time commanded by Captain Francis Cowhard in a regiment
commanded as near as I can recolect by Ceal. Rich'd. Campbell [Col. Richard Campbell] in the Verginia
Line But I am not certain that we had not lost our field officer at the battle of guildfords court house [sic:
Campbell, killed at the Battle of Eutaw Springs] which I was ingaged in under the command of General
Green I also declare that I afterwards received a regular discharge and suppose I was intitled to receive a

reward of eighty dollars under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778 and I do declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the pension list of the United States. My discharge is on file in the War Office I believe as part of revolutionary claim No 4,268 – October the 13th AD 1828

[signed] Jacob Bushong

NOTE: A note in the file indicates that Bushong's first pension was suspended because he did not submit proof of need, as required by the act of 1 May 1820.