Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathaniel Wilkins VAS405  
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[From pension records in the Library of Virginia] See also Lewis Belvin

It is hereby Certified that Nathaniel Wilkins, late of [illegible], was Private in the 7th Virga Reg.  
And was wounded in the Service of the United States occasioned the amputation of his Right hand.  
He is about 28 Years of Age  
Given under my hand this 2nd April 1787  
[indecipherable signature]

I do with the advice of Council hereby Certify that Nathaniel Wilkins, aged about 28 years, late a Private in the 7th Virginia Regiment whose Pay was at the rate of twenty-four Pounds per annum, was disabled in the Service of the United States by a wound which occasioned the amputation of his right hand; And that he is allowed the sum of Eighteen pounds yearly to commence on the first day of January 1786 –  
Given under my hand as Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia (the Governor being absent) at Richmond this 7th day of June 1787  
T. Meriwether           S/ Beverly Randolph

[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, 2011, p. 872 contains the additional information that the veteran received a gratuity of £300 November 10, 1780 and was awarded a gratuity of one year's pay and an annuity of half pay (£18) on December 15, 1781. He was living in Gloucester County in April 1787. It is stated that his wound was sustained at the battle of Waxhaw [May 29, 1780].]