Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Butler VAS2826 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I William Parsons, certify that I was intimately acquainted with Thomas Butler, who served as a Pilot in the Virginia Navy in the Revolutionary War. Mr Butler entered the Virginia Navy soon after the commencement of the War and continued in said service as a pilot until the end of the War, and was always considered a skilful Pilot. [signed] William Parsons [Northampton County, 6 Aug 1831]

I certify that Thomas Butler served for about six years in the Virginia Navy in the Revolutionary War as a Pilot. I was constantly in the habit of seeing said Butler when he came on shore from on board the Vessel on which he served.

[Signed] Frances Great

[Norfolk County, 25 Feb 1832]

I certify that Thomas Butler served several years as a Pilot in the Virginia Navy in the War of the Revolution.

Jeremiah hisXmark Cain

[Norfolk Borough, 30 April 1832]

Some of the evidence in this case will be found connected with Peter Goffigans [Peter Goffigan VAS2827] claim allowed same day

1832 May[?] 22nd Allowed – pilot State Navy three years, if not drawn certif'te.