## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of Willis Wilson VAS406 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## [From pension records in the Library of Virginia]

[p 3: Power of attorney dated January 21, 1820 given by W. Wilson of Cumberland County Virginia to empower his attorney to collect the pension due him from the state of Virginia.

The file also contains two other powers, one for 1821 and one for 1822, signed by the veteran as above. There are no substantive documents in this file relating to the service or the injuries of the veteran.]

[Note: Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, 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. 883 states that the veteran was in the 11<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment and had 8 wounds in his right arm and hand and several others on his head and body. That he was at the battle of Buford's Defeat May 29, 1780. That he was deprived of the use of his right arm and hand and had a bayonet thrust through his abdomen to his spine. He was pensioned at the rate of 40 pounds per annum commencing June 19 1788. It is noted that Congress refused him a pension by act dated February 24, 1818 and that he died February 10, 1822.]