

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Abraham Buford S46372

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Scott County August 16th 1828

Sir/ My Commission not transmitted owing to its being mislaid or lost

The No of my Regiment is not stated owing to my having been ordered by Gen'l. Washington in the spring of the year 1779 to form and take command of a Regiment or detachment of new levies or drafts in the State of Virginia and march to south Carolina under the Command of General Charles Scott, after which I did not return to the Northern army where I [page torn] my 10th Virginia Regiment in the spring [page torn] I therefore know not what reduction or arrangement of Regements was made after I left there

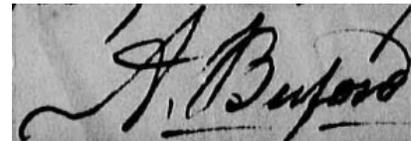
I am with great respect

Your Obedt. & Hum'le Servt



I Abraham Buford of Georgetown in the County of Scott in the State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I was an officer in the continental line of the Army of the revolution and served and continued as such to the end of the war at which period I was a colonel in the Regiment of the Virginia line.

And I also declare that I afterwards received a Certificate (commonly called a comutation Certificate for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay which sum was offered by the resolves of Congress of the 22^d March 1783 instead of the half pay for life to which I was intitled under the resolves of the 21st October 1780. And I do further declare that I have received of the United States as a pensioner since the 3^d day of March 1826 no money so that I have received as a pensioner of the United States since the 3^d day of March 1828 no money paid to me by the agent for paying pensions in the state of Kentucky.



[The following is from a printed form with hand-written parts shown in italic.]

REVOLUTIONARY CLAIMS

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Aug. 30. 1828

Abraham Buford, of Georgetown, in the County of Scott, in the State of Kentucky, has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he was as an officer on the Continental line, and served as such to the end of the war, at which period he was a Colonel in the — regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3d of March, 1826, ~~nothing dollars paid to him by the agent in the State of~~

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far these several statements are corroborated by the records in his office.

By order of the Secretary/ A. Dickins

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

4th. September 1828

It appears by the records in this office, that final settlement certificates have been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to *Abraham Buford* – Colonel in the *Virginia* line, amounting to *Forty five Hundred* dollars.

It further appears that *Abraham Buford* is *not* now on the pension list of the *any* agency, and has *not* been since the 3rd. March, 1826 at the rate of [blank] per month. *Peter Hagins Aud*

[The following are from [bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#):]

This to Certify that Abraham Buford Serv'd a [page torn] field Officer in the Virg'a. line on Continentel esta [page torn] from the 13th of Nov'r. 1776 til Jany 1781 whe [page torn] was arranged a Supernumery Colo. Given at Ric [page torn] [Daniel Morgan] May ye 29th 1783



I do Certify that Colo. Abraham Buford was appointed an Officer in the Virginia contineltal line in the Winter of 1775-six and continued in service till the close of the War at which time he ranked as a Colonel Given under my hand this 27th day of June 1807

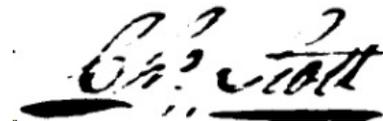
[Thomas Posey] Late Lt. Col. in the Va Line on Cont'l. Establishment Teste/ Edmd. Taylor P.CC



I do certify that Colo Abraham Buford was appointed a Captain in the Culpeper Minute Battalion in August 177 [page torn] and was with me at Norfolk in the spring of 1776 and in the fall of that year was appointed a Field Officer & continued in service til the close of the War at which time he ranked as Colonel commanded the 3^d detached Reg [iment] in the contineltal Line Given under my hand this 21st day of December 1804.

[Charles Scott]

Late Brig Gen'l in the Continental Army



NOTE: Excerpt from a typed summary in the file:

“Abraham Buford served as an officer in the Virginia line during the Revolutionary War, was with the Northern Army, in the spring of 1779, commanded a Virginia regiment, marched to South Carolina under General Charles Scott, and continued in service until the close of the war in 1783, at which time he was a colonel in the Virginia line. The residence of this officer at enlistment, the dates of his commissions, and length of his service are not shown in this claim.

“Abraham Buford applied August 30, 1828 for the pension which was due on account of his service as an officer in the Revolutionary War. At that time, he resided in Georgetown, Scott County, Kentucky. His name was placed on the pension roll September 8, 1828, pension to commence March 3, 1826. He was allowed 500 acres of bounty land on warrant #251, issued May 8, 1793 on account of his service as colonel in the Revolutionary War.

“This officer made no reference to wife or children at the time he made application for his pension.

“The Report of the Secretary of War in regard to the Pension Establishment of the United States, printed in 1833, shows that Abraham Buford, the pensioner of Scott County, Kentucky, died June 29, 1833, and that his representative or agent was his widow, Martha.”