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Virginia document pertaining to Christopher Carpenter VAS1743

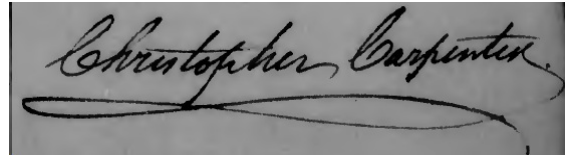
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[From [digitalcollections of the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To the Honorable the Speaker, and Members of the House of Delegates, the petition of Christopher Carpenter Humbly sheweth

that your petitioner very early in the late War, enlisted as a Soldier, and continued untill the year 1779, at which time your petitioner was appointed Master Armourer in the seventh Virginia Regiment under the command of Colnel John Gibson, for which your petitioner was to have and receive forty eight shillings per month: – Your petitioner continued faithfully to discharge his duty in that Department for the term of three years and one half, and relying on the credit of the Commonwealth purchased of a certain Joseph Blackbourne, for a valuable consideration, an Order in part payment of his services in the same business, amounting to the sum of fifty eight dollars.

Your petitioner begs leave to represent that he has never received a compensation for his own services as an Armourer; nor any for the order in his favor from the aforesaid Joseph Blackbourne – He therefore prays that his case may be taken into consideration, and that your Honorable House will grant him such relief, as in equity and justice he may appear to merit. And as in duty bound he will pray.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christopher Carpenter". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background and is underlined with a long, horizontal flourish.

Aud[ito]rs Office 12 Nov. 1791

It appears by the books in this office that Colo. Jno. Gibson rec'd. a Certificate in the name of Christopher Carpenter for his services as a Soldier amounting to £98.10.3 dated 21 march 1783.

J. Carter jun.

Rich[mon]d.

That in the Opinion of this Comittie the Petition of Christopher Carpenter ought to be referred to the Genl. [US] Government for examination & settlement & [one or two illegible words] ought to be made to the proper Officer appointed by Congress for that purpose

[From [Revolutionary bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

State of Virginia }  
Harrison County } Ss

At a court held for Harrison County on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1833 at the Court house of said County satisfactory evidence was adduced in said Court to prove that Nicholas Carpenter of said County is the son and sole surviving heir of Christopher Carpenter and that the said Christopher Carpenter enlisted in or about the year 1776 under Captain [Henry] Heth to serve during the war in the Virginia line on the continental establishment and that he was marched to Pittsburg and there continued in the said service as our artificier during the whole of the revolutionary war that he was in said service seven years under different commanders generly attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> redgement in said line and that the said Cristopher Carpenter died intestate. A Copy Teste D Davisson C.H.C.

Weston 4 April 1833

His Excellency Gov'r. Floyd

I am requested by Mr. Nicholas Carpenter whom I have long known to forward the above certificate and apply for the bounty land which is due him as heir to Christopher carpenter his father for Military services in the war of the revolution. Please convene the council & decide on his claim & advise me thereof as soon as practicable

Your obt. Ser't./ J. Wamsley [Jonathan Wamsley]