## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Burns R1501 Transcribed by Will Graves fn10NC 10/17/10

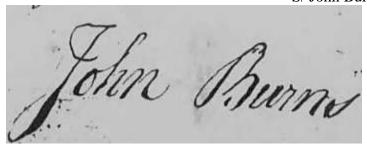
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Washington County State of Ohio Adams Township July 29, 1820

An application to amend an application dated April 19th 1818 in that application you have the Date of my age and where I lived the property that I was worth and the time of my Inlistment the Officers that commanded the same the line &c -

therefore I Represented the Battles that I had been in the northern States that being taken sick on furlough was not able to return agreeable to my furlough but having taken a receipt from my Doctor and the Magistrate of the District where I was as soon as possible I sat forward to reach my Regiment But when I arrived at Hillsboro the place of Rendezvous I found that they were all taken prisoners in South Carolina then I went to Colonel James Thackston of the fourth North Carolina Regiment showed him the Cause of my detainment then he put me in Captain Little's Company in the fifth North Carolina Regiment and in that company I did duty through the remaining part of the war. I forgot to inform you in my first Application that I was put into the fifth North Carolina Regiment. I was in Gates Defeat in August 1780 and so on and after that continued in the Service of my Contry [sic, country] – and after having served 7 years in the time of Life and now in my advanced years and indigent Circumstances do gain a Living, thinks it hard that I must [be] Denied the Charity of my Contry I was Discharged at Hillsboro in the State of North Carolina February 1783 by Colonel James Thackston. If there is proof wanted I can have it that I was through the Latter part of the war as well as the first I submit the whole to your Honors wisdom

S/ John Burns



State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 16th of August 1820 The name of John Burns does not appear on the Rolls of the 5th Regiment of the Continental line of this State, yet it is probable is stument [sic, his statement?] is correct as the Rolls in several cases have been proven to be incorrect.

Given under my hand the date above S/Wm Hill, Secretary

[NOTE: There are obviously papers missing from this file. In addition to the absence of the earlier application to which the veteran refers in his "amendment" transcribed above, there is a letter dated March 10, 1820 from L. Barbey (who I assume to be the veterans agent of some sort, perhaps his attorney) in which Barbey makes reference to the affidavits given by Robert Smith (the veterans Captain) and Moses Grier (another soldier) and the veterans earlier application. If anyone knows the whereabouts of this missing documentation, I would appreciate having it called to my attention.]