## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Burkhart S8129

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State of Virginia

Smyth County to wit

On the 19th day of October 1832 personally appeared in the Court of the County of Smyth in the State of Virginia Henry Burkhart aged seventy one years who being sworn according to law (of the said County) on his oath made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of June 1832. That he was drafted a Militia man in the County of Shannandoah [sic: Shenandoah] in the State of Virginia in the year 1781 in the month of June and placed under the command of Lawrence Snappe [Lorentz Snapp] Capt but was marched to Headquarters by Ensign John Neil in consequence of the Captain not attending the place of Rendesvous and joined the encampment of head quarters at a place called Drinking Spring [3 mi] above Williamsburg in Virginia and there put under the command of Captain Thomas Marshall who has since removed to Kentucky and attachd to Col [Elias] Edmunds Regt and the Brigade commanded by Gen'l Stephens [probably Edward Stevens] - Thomas Welch who was an Officer in the regular service acted as our Adjutant and exercised the Reg't daily – we were then marched to the encampment at Malvern Hills below [15 mi SE of] Richmond, from there retrogaded towards Fredricksburg [sic: Fredericksburg] – we again returnd to within sight of Williamsburg about that time he was taken as one to form a Rifle Company under Capt. [William] George from Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County and sent on the lines – he was at Ruffins Ferry [on Pamunkey River near Sweet Hall] – and the burnt Ordinary (so called) [8 mi NW of Williamsburg] and was kept in constant motion to and fro - and was at the Halfway House below Williamsburg the day before his time expired. he then was marchd back to the place call'd the drenging Spring and there discharged by Gen'l Stephens a short time before the Seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] at the expiration of his term - his discharge was signed by his ensign Jno Neil which was left in Shanondoah when he removed into the County of Wythe about 46 years ago he was about four months then in the service of the United States. He served 4 months also in McIntoshs Campain [Gen. Lachlan McIntosh's campaign] against the Indians was commanded by Lut Samuel Vance in Colo Harrisons Reg't was joind by Colo. Campbells [Richard Campbell's] Regulars who was killed at Eutaw Springs – we marched to the Ohio about 30 miles below Fort Pit [sic: Fort Pitt at Pittsburgh] crossed the [Ohio] River there and built a Fort which was called McIntoh [sic: Fort McIntosh at present Beaver PA, completed fall of 1778] – we then progress'd into the Indian Country as far as the Muskinggum [sic: Muskingum River] where they left a garrison of about 2 or 3 hundred 18 months men [Fort Laurens near present Bolivar OH, winter 1778-79] and returnd to McIntosh and was discharg'd. He hereby relinquishes all claim to any pension except the present and declares that his name is not on any Pension Roll of any Agency of any State or Territory. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[John Mosser or Musser (pension application S5786) certified that he had served in the same regiment and at the same time as Burkhart.

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NOTE: Henry Burkhart's signature in German script appears to read "Heinrich Borchart." A Treasury-Department document states that the children of Henry Burkhart received the final pension payment to the date of his death, 11 Dec 1838.