

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Tscharner (Ischamer) DeGraffenreidt (Degraffenredd) VAS389 [vsl 20VA](#)

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

[Note: the text in italics below was contributed by C. Leon Harris on 3/7/14. Kudos to Leon for undertaking this transcription as I deemed the images of pages 2-5 of this file illegible as posted online.]

Addendum to Tscharner (Ischamer) DeGraffenreidt (Degraffenredd) VAS389

By C. Leon Harris. 7 March 2014.

[p2 Parts of the online image is missing at the tops and bottoms of the page.]

... Colo. Abraham Buford do hereby certify that Tscharner deGraffenreidt of Lunenburg Co'y Virginia acted as a Sergeant in a Company of the Continental line which was with those commanded by Colo Abr'm Buford that at the Battle or engagement between the troops under Colo. Buford & the troops under Colo Tarlton near the hanging Rock at the Waxsaw Settlement in South Carolina in May 1780 the said Tscharner deGraffenreidt then a Sergeant in the said American troops was in the said Engagement commonly called Buford's defeat from the first to last — that the said deGraffenreidt was badly & dangerously wounded but cannot recolect at this time the particular wounds he rec'd. only his head & hands being Cut most shockingly & a Bayonet wound in his Side — & that upon the whole (he having seen the said deGraffenreidt since) he was disabled ever after from obtaining a livelyhood by any kind of manual Labour. Certified by me this 16th October[?] 1786....

[p 3: a note indicating that the applicant was granted a pension of £18 per year]

*[p4: The left part of the online image is missing at the places marked *.]*

[] Excellency Their Honours the Governour & Council of Virginia*

The humble petition of Tscharner de Graffenreidt Jr of the County []enburg sheweth that your Petitioner was a Sergeant in the [*]ent upon Continental establishment & as such acted in the [*] commonly called Beaufords defeat. that your Pet'r [*] most dangerously wounded in seventeen parts of his [*] with Sword Ball & Bayonet & is rendered incapable of [*]ing a livelihood by his manuel labour for the [*] & evidence of which your Pet'r begs leave humbly [*] for your Excellency & Honours to the Certificate [*] Lunenburg County Court. Your Pet'r therefore craves [*] your Honourable Board will place him upon the [*] Pensioners as a person Lawfully entitled thereto & that [*] Pet'r. may receive the same accordingly.*

[] April 1787*

[illegible word] Pet'r. shall as in duty bound ever pray. Tsch'r DeGraffenreidt

[p5 Cover to the above]

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At the Court held for Lunenburg County the 19th day of February 1787

It appears to the Court by evidence and the personal knowledge of some of the present Members that Tscharnier DeGraffenreidt Junior was wounded and maimed in the battle commonly called Beaufords defeat [Buford's Defeat or the Battle of the Waxhaws, May 29, 1780], where he was acting as a Serjeant in the Virginia line upon Continental establishment and has not yet been placed on the list of Pensioners:

It is ordered that he be represented to the Honorable the Executive as a Person justly & lawfully entitled to be placed upon the said List, & received his Pension of accordingly.

It also appears to this Court that from the circumstances of the said DeGraffenreidt he is unable to in person to attend the Executive.

A Copy

Wm Taylor Ct

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I hereby certify that I have viewed the wounds of Tscharnier deGraffenreidt Jr. of the County of Lunenburg said to be received in the battle between the Troops of America & Britain in the Waxsaw settlement between Colo Buford & Colo Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] (& commonly called Bufords defeat) & it is my opinion that the said wounds rendered the said DeGaffenreidt incapable of obtaining his livelihood by manual labor – given under my hand a Practitioner of Physic residing at Lunenburg Court house the 22nd day of December 1787

Attest Teste: Jolson, JP

S/ Clark Sanford

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I do, with the advice of the Council, hereby Certify that Tscharnier Devraffenreidt , aged about Thirty four, Late a Serjeant in a detachment of the Virginia line commanded by Colo. Abram Buford and whose pay was at the rate of Thirty Six Pounds per annum was disabled in the Service of the United States by several dangerous wounds received in his body, head and arms; And that he is allowed the sum of Eighteen Pounds yearly to commence from the first day of January, 1786.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this 16th day of June 1788

S/ Edw. Randolph

Tho. Meriwether

[Note: at the bottom of this document are notes showing payment of the pension due the veteran through Sept. 1807.]

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The commencement of the within Pension all to be from the first day of January 1788 pursuant to the order of counsel of the 16th of June 1788 but through mistake it is made to Commence the first of January 1786.

Attest

Saml Coleman, A. C. C.

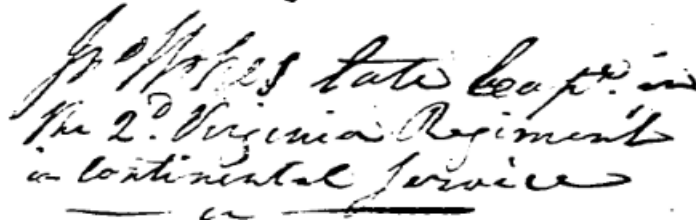
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This may Certify that Tscharnier DeGraffenreidt was a Serjeant in a detachment under the command of Colo. Abram Buford at the time Colo. Buford was defeated at the Waxhaws in

South Carolina by Lieutenant Colo. Bannister Tarleton on the 29th day of May 1780 – that the said Tscharner DeGraffenreidt was then and there very badly wounded by being nearly deprived of the use of both his hands together with several other wounds apparently mortal – I do further certify that the said Tscharner behaved with distinguished gallantry: He belonged to the Virginia troops in the Continental service, but to what particular Regiment I do not describe as I had myself only been a few days with that Corps and had never seen the same mustered.

Given under my hand at Lunenburg this 21st day of June 1787.

Jno Stokes [John Stokes] late Capt. in
the 2nd Virginia Regiment
in Continental Service



*Jno Stokes late Capt. in
the 2nd Virginia Regiment
in Continental Service*

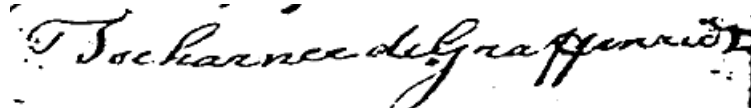
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May 23rd 1789 Paid Tscharner Degraffenreidt the day of the within order in Cash 16.0.6 part and the Balance of this order I do hereby acknowledge to have Received in full this 12th day June 1789 in Cash as witness my hand this 12th June 1789

Teste

W. Street [?]

S/ Tasharner deGraffenridt



Tscharner deGraffenreidt

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Prince Edward [County] Sept. the 25th 1809

I hereby Certify that I became acquainted with Ticharner Degraffenreidt in the spring 1779 and continued with him till the time of Bufords defeat on the 29th May 1780 at which time we ware Paroal'd [paroled] And if Exchang'd I do not know it. Given under my hand as above

S/ Jno. Crute, Lt [John Crute]

Late of the Army

Sept. 25 1809

I hereby Certify that Tscharner Dagraffenriids was a Soldier in the Continental Army in the year 1776

S/ Jas. Johnson Capt. in the 6th Virginia Redgt. [James Johnson]

Prince Edward's Sept. the 25th 1789.
I hereby Certify that I became acquainted with Richard
DeGraffenried in the Spring 1779 and
Continued with him till the time of Burford's defeat
on the 29th May 1780 at which time we were Paroled
And if Exchanged I do not know it Given Under my
Hand as Above

Sept 25 1809
I hereby Certify that Richard DeGraffenried
was a Soldier in the Army Continental Army in the
Year 1776
J. M. Crute Lt.
Late of the Army
J. Johnson Capt. in the 6th Virginia Regt.