

Select Bibliography to Virginia Militia Records and Resources

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Colonial Period

Hening's Statutes At Large (13 volumes) contains Virginia legislation governing militia organization, training, and regulation. Volume 7 includes militia lists for French and Indian War.

Colonial Records Project, Film 1607, Reel 37 includes 1702 muster rolls for Charles City, New Kent, Surry, and Stafford counties. A printed transcription is also available in the Archives and Manuscripts Reading Room cataloged as Accession 22682.

Eckenrode, Hamilton J. *List of Colonial Soldiers of Virginia*. (Baltimore, 1980).

Bockstruck, Lloyd DeWitt. *Virginia Colonial Soldiers*. (Baltimore, 1988).

Revolutionary War

Auditor of Public Accounts, Militia Lists, 1779-1782, (APA-225), includes muster rolls for seventeen counties half of which are considered "burned" record counties.

Auditor of Public Accounts, Militia Certificates, 1781-1782, (APA-216), militiamen received the same pay as continental soldiers beginning in 1781. Several hundred pay certificates poorly organized and not indexed.

Eckenrode, Hamilton J. *Virginia Soldiers in the American Revolution* (Richmond: Virginia State Library and Archives, 1989, 2 vols.); John H. Gwathmey, *Historical Register of Virginians in the Revolution, 1775-1783* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1979).

White, Virgil. *Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files, A-Z, and Index* (Waynesboro, TN: National Historical Publishing Co., 1990, 5 vols.).

War of 1812

Pay Rolls of Militia Entitled to Land Bounty Under the Act of Congress of Sept. 28, 1850 (Richmond, 1851) and its supplement, *Muster Rolls of the Virginia Militia in the War of 1812* (Richmond, 1852). Also available on microfilm, Cabinet 86, drawer 7.

LVA web site databases. The War of 1812 database is an index of approximately 40,000 names of Virginia militia companies. Approximately 900 names are index for the Mexican War.

Auditor of Public Accounts, General Militia Records, 1811-1821, (APA-247), arranged by army unit, but not indexed.

Auditor of Public Accounts, Register of Furloughs and Discharges for the War of 1812, (APA-258), contains 337 names, dates, length of furlough, regiment, county of residence, not indexed.

Auditor of Public Accounts, Militia Fines, 1789-1865, (APA-478), annual lists of fines paid for absence from Muster training.

Governor's Office, Militia Commission Papers, 1777-1858, (Accession 42222). Militia commissions are arranged alphabetically by county or city and then by date within each locality. Includes correspondence concerning militia officer appointments, elections, and resignations.

John K. Martin Papers, 1777-1907, (Accession 12), A Richmond pension and claims agent for military veterans. His papers consist of claim files arranged chronologically by war and then alphabetically by claimant.

White, Virgil D. *Index to War of 1812 Pension Files* (Waynesboro, TN: 1889).

Butler, Stuart L. *A Guide to Virginia Militia Units in the War of 1812* (Athens, GA: 1988).

Civil War

Department of Confederate Military Records, 1859-1996, (Accession 27684). Contains many unit records, but only two boxes concerning Virginia militia, Includes some muster rolls. One interesting segment includes those militia units sent in response to John Brown's Raid, 1859.

LVA web site databases:

1. Virginia Confederate Pension Applications, Veterans and Widows, Acts of 1888, 1900, 1902.
2. Virginia Confederate Disability Applications, 1882-1887 (Artificial Limbs).
3. Virginia Confederate Rosters (Unofficial).
4. Robert E. Lee Camp Soldiers Home Application for Admission, 1884-1941.

NARA, *Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Virginia*. 1075 reels microfilm.

Wallace, Lee. *A Guide to Virginia Military Organizations, 1861-1865* (Lynchburg: rev. 2nd ed., 1986).

Post-War

Department of Military Affairs, Virginia Volunteers, Muster In Rolls, 1884-1922, (Accession 32116), on Miscellaneous Microfilm Reels 2076-2085. Virginia militia was reorganized after the Civil War known as Virginia Volunteers. Beginning in 1885, it notably included African American units as the 1st and 2nd Battalions of Infantry.

