

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Coleman R2155

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State of South Carolina Fairfield District: SS: Ordinary Office

On the 11th day of July 1855 before George W Woodward Ordinary for Fairfield district and State aforesaid personally appeared James B Coleman aged 55 years and upwards a native born citizen of said district and State who being duly sworn according to law declares that he is the oldest surviving child of Charles and Ruth Coleman deceased late of this District and State aforesaid. That his said father Charles Coleman was a Soldier of the Revolutionary war and therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of recovering the arrears of pension due for his father's Services in said war, under the act of Congress of 7th of June 1832 for the benefit of himself and his surviving Sisters and Brothers children of his said parents; that from conversations and remarks made by his said father Charles Coleman he understood and believes he served in the Army of the Revolution and was at the Battle of Gates defeat Camden South Carolina [August 15-16, 1780] from which he made his escape with a wagon and horses belonging to Declarant's Grandfather and Mr. Stephens the Uncle of his said father Charles Coleman; that his Grandfather Cader Coleman, James Rutland and William Moon were also in said battle of defeat at Camden aforesaid; and that the declarant's Grandfather Abraham Gibson with four of his Brothers also served in said war – having often heard his said father, Grandfathers – Mr. Rutland and Mr. Moon refer to their services in the Revolution, that this Declarant knows his said father Charles Coleman was by trade a blacksmith and well acquainted with repairing Guns, could temper steel and has seen him make Gunlocks; that he believes his said parents Charles and Ruth Coleman were married about the year 1796 or 1797; that his said mother Ruth Coleman, whose name before marriage was Ruth Gibson departed this life in 1825 and his father Charles Coleman on the 6th day of April 1842 as recorded by this Declarant in his family Bible a few days after his death leaving the following named Surviving children, (his Sister Harriet M Coleman who was about two years older than this Deponent – having died two years subsequent to his said father) namely this Declarant the said Harriet M Coleman wife of M. A. M. Leggo deceased, Melinda W Keith, Charles S Coleman, Joseph D Coleman, Judith B Simpson, Sarah Ann Simpson, Jane B Smith and John A. J. Coleman, all of whom now Survived except the said Harriet M Coleman wife of M. A. M. Leggo as aforesaid; that the death of his said father was recorded by Declarant as aforesaid, and also that of his oldest Sister Harriet oldest child of his said parents, belief of said record being hereunto appended: This deponent further declares that he is the only surviving Executor under the last will and testament of the said Charles Coleman's Estate.

Test: S/ Robert Walker

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first within written; and I certify that I have no interest in said pension claim or its prosecution
S/ G. W. Woodward, O. F. D. S/ James B. Coleman

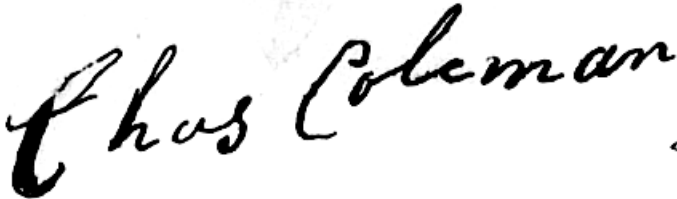


[p 8: Certificate dated July 10th, 1855 from the South Carolina Comptroller General's Office in Columbia listing indents paid to Charles Coleman including a payment of 57 pounds 2 shillings and 10 pence for a horse impressed for Melissa use and for 368 days duty as armorer in the militia in 1780 & 1781 to Colonel Richard Winn's Regiment by appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Hopkins.]

[p 9: the following was offered by the applicant as an example of his father's signature as appended to a receipt dated April 22, 1812



the following were offered by the SC Comptroller General as the signature of Charles Coleman as given in 1785 in receipt of the payment of the sums due him under his indent



[p 16: Sarah James, 70, gave testimony on July 21, 1855 that she was acquainted with Charles and Ruth Coleman; that they were lawfully married; that Ruth Coleman was Ruth Gibson prior to her marriage; that there were 13 children born to that marriage, 8 of whom survived their father.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts ¹ relating to Charles Coleman	AA 13
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 1360	
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No. 45

No. 70 Book R
 X 1882

Charles Coleman his Account of a Horse impressed for militia use, also for 365 days as Armourer the Whole for Militia in 1780 & 1781

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

Charged £113.3.6 ³/₄ Sterling
 add more for horse
 and deduct Duty not
 Certified 56.0.8 ¹/₂

Amount £57.2.10 ¹/₄

Ex^d. J. M^c. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

[Note: there is a note at the bottom of the cover sheet of this Claim but except for a few words it is illegible]

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State of South Carolina Dr. to Charles Cooleman [sic]

November

the 9th 1780 To one horse taken for the use of General
 Sumter's [Thomas Sumter's] brigade 336.0.0

£400: – [old South Carolina] currency or

Stg. [Sterling] £57.2.10 ¹/₄

September

the 1, 1781 To 365 days duty as Armourer To
 Colo. Richard Winn's Regiment by appointment
 of Lieutenant Colonel Hopkins at 25/
 [25 Shillings] per day 456.5.0

not Certified

365 £792.5.0

91.5

£466.5/ £113.3.6 ³/₄

him

65:3:6 ³/₄

South Carolina

Camden District} Appeared Mr. Charles Coalman [sic] & made Oath That the Above duty
 charged of three hundred & sixty-five days as Armourer was Justly performed & That he has
 Never received Any pay for the same

Sworn to Before me this 2 Day May 1780 for

S/ D. Hopkins, JP



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Received the 7th May 1785 full Satisfaction for the within Account in an Indent No. 70 Book R4
 £57.2.10 ¹/₄ Sterling in virtue of an Order

S/ Thomas Lehre

² This is the signature of Lt. Col. David Hopkins of the South Carolina militia

Order
Thomas Lehre

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I do hereby Certify that Mr. Charles Coleman has performed 365 days duty as Armourer in the Militia under my Command in 1780 & 1781
Charleston March 25th 1786

S/ D. Hopkins, Lt. Col.

D. Hopkins Lt. Col.

Gent.

Please pay Mr. Thomas Lehre or order all my Indent or Indents that may appear to be due to me from the State of South Carolina or the United States Value Received March 25, 1786
The Commissioners of the Treasury

S/ Chas. Coleman

Chas Coleman

[p 10: Printed form of indent No. 70 Book R dated May 7th, 1785 in the amount of £57.2.10 ¼]

[p 11: Reverse of the above Indent showing endorsement by Thomas Lehre among others]

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No. 1888 [Book] X

Granted to Charles Coleman for £65.3.6 Balance of an Account passed in part in No. 70 = Are – which see.

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Received the 27th March 1786, from the Commissioners of the Treasury sixty-five Pounds, 3/6 – full Satisfaction for the Balance of an Account passed in part in Book R – No 70 – for Charles Coleman per order filed in said Number

S/ Thomas Lehre