

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ambrose Hudgens (Hudgins) S18888

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November 16, 1829

South Carolina, Laurens District

The humble petition of Capt. Ambrose Hudgens shews unto the Honorable the members of the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, That he was a soldier of the Revolutionary War and performed many tours of duty (to wit) One under Col. William Thompson [sic, William Thomson] for six months within this State & Georgia; one other under Col. Williams [James Williams] for many months; one other of three months under Col. Purvis and your petitioner on oath saith he was a faithful soldier and is now about sixty eight years of age, old & infirm and his wife is about the same age and of a good Whig family and from their advanced age infirmity & poverty your petitioner feels full confidence in the Justice & magnanimity of the Legislature of this State toward al old war worn soldiers who served many tours of duty than aforementioned but now unable to prove them. Your petitioner is now worth about 150 acres of Land very poor and much worn out but does for a home for himself & aged companion, 10 head cattle & 1 head hogs and one horse worth fifty Dollars one bed & furniture of little value and your petitioner in duty bound will ever pray.

S/ Ambrose Hudgens

Schedule of A. Hudgens property

Tract of land 150 acres	\$150.00
5 head cattle	20.00
20 head hogs	20.00
one horse worth	50.00
Bed & furniture	<u>20.00</u>
	\$260.00
A. Huggins is indebted to the amount of	<u>\$160.00</u>
	\$100.00

South Carolina Laurens District: Before me personally appeared Capt. Ambrose Hudgens and being sworn agreeable to law states that the facts contained in his petition and the above Schedule are all true to the best of his knowledge & believe & that he is not a pensioner of the United States.

Sworn to before made this 16th day of November 1829

S/ Jos. Hutcheson, JP

S/ A. Hudgens Senior

South Carolina Laurens District: Personally came James Dillard¹ before me John Whitmore one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace in said District and made oath in due form of law and on his oath saith Ambrose Hudgens was a listed soldier in the State troops of South Carolina under Capt. Brown and Col. William Thomson's Regiment and this deponent believes that he served his time fully out and got a legal discharge with myself from said Regiment and that I frequently saw him bearing arms in the said State to the end of the war and further saith not. Sworn to and subscribed before me the 2nd day of September 1829
S/ John Whitmore, JP

S/ James Dillard

State of South Carolina Anderson District: Personally came and appeared before me the subscribing Justice William Milwee² Esquire who after being sworn in due form of law deposed on his oath that Ambrose Hudgens now residing in Laurens District in the State aforesaid was a faithful soldier under said deponent's command who was Capt. in Col. Williams' Regiment of South Carolina in defending the State of Georgia in the Indian War that deponent further deposed that he did deceive the said Ambrose Hudgens enlisted himself as a regular soldier in the United States service under Lieut. Robert Long in Col. William Thompson's Regiment in the Revolutionary war this Deponent also deposed that he has every reason to believe and does believe that he the said Ambrose Hudgens did faithfully served his full Tour of Duty which was for the term of 6 months and was discharged with credit. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of August in the year A.D. 1829
S/ J. C. Anderson, JP

S/ William Milwee

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State of South Carolina Laurens district: On this 4th day of December in the year of our Lord 1849 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Ordinary now sitting Col. John Hudgens a resident of the District of Laurens in the State of South Carolina aged 46 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832. That he is the son and heir at law and administrator of the Estate of Ambrose Hudgens, deceased who entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That he entered the said service in the Company commanded by Capt. Brown Lieut. Robert Long in the 3rd South Carolina Continental Regiment commanded by Col. William Thomson and in the capacity of a private served In That Regiment 6 Months: afterwards said Ambrose Hudgens deceased served under Col. Purvis and many months under Col. Williams [James Williams] of the militia Service & in the Company commanded by Capt. William Milwee: That whilst under said Capt. W. Milwee he the said Ambrose Hudgens was in Georgia in what was called the Indian Wars: That as to the battles in which he was engaged this Declarant remembers only that of Eutaw Springs in South Carolina as stated by his Father in his lifetime; but the counties through which he passed this Declarant does not now recollect: That before and since the Revolutionary war said Ambrose Hudgens deceased lived in Laurens District in South Carolina and in the year 1829 was pensioned by the legislature of South Carolina and died 30th day of January in the year 1844 never having applied for a pension from the United States: That he said Ambrose Hudgens left

¹ [James Dillard S6797](#)

² [William Milwee W9200](#)

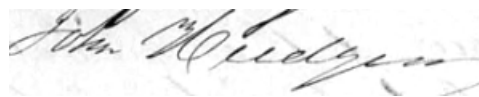
no widow, his wife having died in 1833. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his said father's name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State except as above set forth.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Before me

S/ W. D. Watts

S/ John Hudgens



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending January 30, 1844 when he died. He was pensioned for 9 months service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]

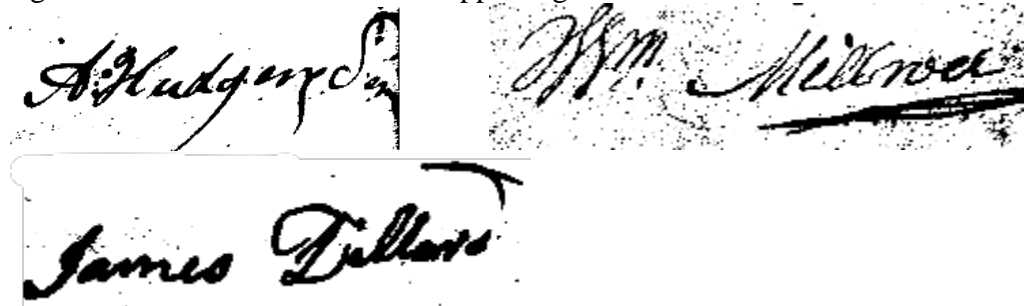
South Carolina Audited Accounts³ relating to Ambrose Hudgens
Audited Account No. 3827

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[Note: This file contains the originals of the documents filed by the veteran seeking a pension in 1829 and transcribed above. I have not transcribed them again but have posted images of the signatures of the veteran and the supporting witnesses below.



The veteran was granted a pension by the SC Legislature commencing in June 1830 at the rate of \$60 per annum. There is a voucher showing payment of \$120 dollars as annuities due Ambrose Hudgens and Joseph Rogers as of June 6th 1842.]

³ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) 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. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.