

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Addis S21594

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A South Carolina, Union District: To Wit

On the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of common Pleas & Sessions now sitting for said District Richard Addis a resident of Union District aged Eighty-Four years the fourth day of next February who being first duly sworn on his oath doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. "I entered the service in the month of October 1775 as a volunteer in Captain Brandon's [Thomas Brandon's] Company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Thomas and Major Henderson [William Henderson] and served in the Tour known by the name of the "Snow Camps" about four months. In May 1776 I [was] drafted and Joined the company commanded by Captain Jolly [Benjamin Jolley] in Colonel Thomas's Regiment and marched to Prince's Fort and thence pursued the Indians to the neighboring town and having destroyed them returned to the Seneca Fort and after joining with other forces crossed the mountains and had one engagement with the Indians and then returned by way of the Chota Town to the Seneca Fort where we were discharged in October by Colonel Thomas. I was then drafted under Captain Gatton [sic, Alexander Gaston] in Colonel Thomas Brandon's Regiment we then marched into Georgia and destroyed a great deal of corn and had a skirmish with a Party of Indians Major Ross [Francis Ross] was wounded and died shortly afterwards I served three months in this Tour – the time I was discharged I do not precisely recollect. In 1779 I was drafted under Captain Gaston in Colonel Brandon's Regiment and marched to Inaquaw [?] Swamp and thence to Stono but was discharged before the battle [Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779] was fought I was drafted three months which time I served in the last tour. I was then drafted to go to Charleston in 1780 in Captain Jolly's Company in Colonel Brandon's Regiment I served three months and was then discharged a few days before Charleston fell into the hands of the British [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780]. I then returned home and served as a volunteer in several expeditions against the Tories under no particular officers the time and length of time I do not recollect. I was at length volunteered in Colonel Joseph Hughes' Company in Colonel Brandon's Regiment and was at the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] where Morgan [Daniel Morgan] defeated Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] after the battle I continued in an irregular Scouting service until the entire cessation of Hostilities. I have no documentary evidence of my services and refer to Captain Joshua Palmer who knew me throughout the war. I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State. In answer to the Interrogatories proposed by the court I answer:

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> – I was born Bucks County Pennsylvania on the 4 February 1749 as I have it

recorded at home and my Parents moved to Union District in South Carolina when I was quite small.

3<sup>rd</sup> – I lived in Union District South Carolina when I entered the service and have lived here ever since.

4<sup>th</sup> – I first served as a volunteer and then was drafted, and once went as a Substitute.

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> – see within

7<sup>th</sup> --I refer to the Reverend Isaac McKissick a clergyman of Union District William Palmer and William Morehead to prove my character for truth and moral deportment.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Richard Addis



[p 23: Isaac McKissick, a clergyman, William Moorhead and William Palmer gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of South Carolina, Union District

Richard Addis appeared personally before me and deposeth as follows in order to explain & make more explicit his application for a pension under the Act of Congress of the 7 of June 1832 --& Saith that he entered the Service of the United States in behalf of his County during the Revolutionary War against the British, Tories & Indians. I entered the Service as a Volunteer under Captain Brandon and Served a Tour of four months to Granby, Rabun's Creek [sic, Rayborn Creek] &c. in May 1776 I was drafted in the Company of Captain Jolly and served a tour against the Indians of five months – I was again drafted under Captain Gastin and served another Tour against the Indians of three months – I was again drafted in 1779 under Captain Gaston my Tour was for three months which Tour I served. I was again drafted 1780 in Captain Jolly's Company, and served another Tour of three months. I again Volunteered so repeatedly and was out so often until the Close of the War, in an engagement at Stallions – Battle of the Cowpens, &c. who by reason of old age & consequent loss of memory cannot state positively as to the precise length of time, but believes was out at least nine months-- which would make in all during the Revolutionary [war] two years & three months from the best recollection this deponent now has of his Services. And the deponent further saith that Captain Joshua Palmer can certify as to the services of this deponent being out repeatedly together.

S/ Richard Addis



Sworn to & subscribed before me this 20 May 1833.

S/ John Parham, JP

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South Carolina, Union District

Personally appeared before me Joshua Palmer<sup>1</sup> – who after being Sworn as the law directs saith he is well acquainted with the aforesaid Richard Addis who he saw subscribe to and swear to the foregoing declaration and that he was acquainted with the said Richard Addis through the War of the revolution and this deponent does very [sic] believe all the declarations of

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<sup>1</sup> [Joshua Palmer S21912](#)

the said Richard Addis is just and true. Sworn to and subscribed before [me] this August 20<sup>th</sup>, 1832.

S/ L. Whitlock, JP

S/ Joshua Palmer



[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 18 months in the South Carolina militia.]

[A note in the file indicates the veteran died June 16, 1842]

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South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>2</sup> relating to Richard Addis      AA8  
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 41

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No. 2333 Book X

7 April 1786

Richard Addis

For 93 days duty as a horseman from 13 November 1779 to 13 February 1780 – inclusive in Captain Benjamin Jolly's Company at 20/, 348 days as a do from 7 May 1782 the 25<sup>th</sup> June 1781 alternating the in ditto at ditto, 31 days as private of foot from 1 April to 1 May 1782 – inclusive in Captain Hughes Company at 10/& 31 days as ditto from 29 May 229 June 1782 inclusive in ditto at 10/ Charged

£472.10

Stg [Sterling]

£67.10

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The State of South Carolina

To Richard Addis      Dr.

To 93 Days Duty done as Horseman from the 13 November 1779 to 13<sup>th</sup> February 1780 both Days Included per pay Bill of Captain Benjamin Jolly – Certified per Colonel Brandon @ 20/

£93

To 348 Days Duty as do from the 7<sup>th</sup> May 1782 the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1781 Jolly

Per pay Bill of do Cert. per do

348

To 31 Days Duty as private of foot from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 21 May 1782

15.10

To 31 days Duty as do from the 29<sup>th</sup> May To 29<sup>th</sup> June 1782 Inclusive per pay Bill of do Cert. per do

15.10

[SC currency]

£472

Stg

£67.8.6 ¾

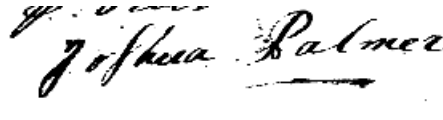
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<sup>2</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. The "SC" file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

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Received 15 April 1786 full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 2422 X p. order

S/ Joshua Palmer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joshua Palmer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the printed name "S/ Joshua Palmer".

[p 8: Partially illegible claim in which it is stated the veteran lost a horse, saddle and bridle while in service near Stono in June 1779 in a skirmish under Captain Gaston. The horse and equipment was appraised at 75 pounds former currency by Samuel Tolbert [?] and James Savage. The claim was converted to Sterling at £10.14.3 ¼. The claim was sworn to in Camden District South Carolina by Richard Addis on December 4, 1788[?].]