

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Goodlett S9340

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State of South Carolina, Greenville District

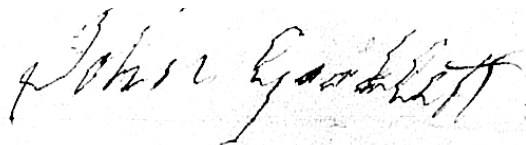
On this the seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty four personally appeared in open court before the Hon. B. J. Earle, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting, John Goodlitt [sic], a resident of Greenville District and State of South Carolina aged seventy eight 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 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was living in Spartanburg District South Carolina when he first entered the service which was in the year 1776 and on the first day of July. He volunteered for three months under the command of Captain McEllenhaney [sic, probably John McElhenney] and Col. John Thomas Senior on the first day of July and served until the first of October following. He was stationed at Prince's Fort in Spartanburg District South Carolina for the purpose of guarding the country against the Cherokee Indians. He served out the whole tour in said Fort and was discharged by Captain McEllenhaney and returned home. In the summer of 1778 he again volunteered for three months under the command of Captain William Wood and Col. Jno. Thomas Senior. He thinks it was on the 1st of June and that he left the service this tour on the last of August. The troops to which he belonged were employed in protecting the frontiers of South Carolina against the Cherokee Indians and were stationed on the old Indian boundary. In the Summer of 1782 he was drafted and marched to General Greene's headquarters not far from Charleston. He was under the command of Lieutenant Wm. Goodlett [William Goodlett] Major John Ford and Col. Benjamin Roebuck and attached to the Brigade of General Pickens [Andrew Pickens]. He served this tour one month and two weeks and was discharged. He was several times besides these times three tours above mentioned engaged for short periods in the service of his country against the Indians and Tories but he claims pay for the seven months and half only as a private in the war of the revolution. He further states that the services above stated were rendered in regularly embodied corps called into service by the Authority of the State of South Carolina and that during such service he was not engaged in any civil pursuit but actively engaged in field or in garrison and that he was paid for his services in "Indents" a paper issued by the State of South Carolina.

He was born in Frederick County State of Virginia in the year 1756. Has a record of his age at home drawn off from his father's family Bible—was living in Spartanburg District South Carolina when called into service and has lived in South Carolina ever since the

revolution—was drafted once and volunteered twice—there were no regular officers with him except at Greene's camp—he never received a written discharge—he is known in his present neighborhood to John Young¹ and George Salmon² who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief in his services as a soldier of the revolution. He has no documentary evidence of his services but can prove a portion of them by John Young and Wm. Goodlett³ whose affidavits are herewith sent.—He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

S/ John Goodlett



Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open court.

S/ B. J. Earle, Presiding Judge

[David Blythe, a clergyman, and John Hodges gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Personally came William Goodlette [sic, William Goodlett] before me the Subscribing Justice and duly made oath that he was knowing to John Goodlett serving a three months Tower [Tour] at Princes Fort in South Carolina in the Infantry and also three months on the Indian line volunteered under Capt. Wood and six weeks near General Greene's Camp called out by General Pickens.

Sworn to and subscribed before me 6th March 1834

S/ Robert Cox, JP

S/ William Goodlette, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.88 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 14 days in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to John Goodlett
Audited Account No. 2942

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[No.] 1196 [Book] X 18 December 1785

No. 90

John Goodlett for 66 days Duty as a Private Horseman, and 40 days Do as a Footman, per Captain John Nisbett's and John Collins' Payee Bills from 15 June 1780 to 24th of October 1782 alternately in Colonel Roebuck's [Benjamin Roebuck's] Regiment, and Charged

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[John Young W1976](#)

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[George Salmon W9640](#)

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[William Goodlett W8857](#)

⁴ 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.

[old South Carolina currency] £86
Deduct less not included
and Payee Bills 4

£82

Stg [Sterling] £11.14.3 ¼

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

See Statement within

[p 3: very faint document]

John Goodlett

In Capt. John Collins Pay Bill 12 days as Horsemen from 15 June 80 to 1 June 81 20/ ⁵	£82
And Captain John Nesbitt Do 30 days as do from 6 Oct. 81 to 24 Oct. 82 20/	30
do 40 do [too faint to discern]	40
	[too faint]
Stg.	11.14.3 ¼

To State of South Carolina

To John Goodlett

Dr.

To 66 days Horseman at 20

£66.00.0

To 40 do footman at 10⁶

20.00.0

£86.00.0

Included in Captain Collins & Captain John
Nesbitt's pay bills Colonel Thomas [John Thomas Junior]
and Roebuck's [Benjamin Roebuck's] Regiment [text too faint to discern]

[p 5 (retake of page 4): again very faint image]

received 16 December 1785 full satisfaction for the within Account in an Indent No. 1196 Book X

S/ Robert Prince



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gentlemen

Please deliver my Indent to Mr. Robert Prince which I have sold to the said Prince and received full satisfaction for the Same

Test

S/ William Goodlett

S/ John Goodlett

⁵ 20 shillings old South Carolina currency was the per diem pay for a mounted militia man providing his on horse

⁶ 10 shillings old South Carolina currency was the per diem pay for a militia man serving on foot

S/ Henry Prince [?]

To the Commissioners of the Treasury of the State

gentle
*I have taken my receipt for the \$1000
which was paid to the said Prince and
I am full of satisfaction for the same —*
John Goodlett
John Goodlett
Henry Prince
to the Commissioners of
the Treasury of the State

[p 7: Printed form of indent No. 1196 Book X]

[p 8: Reverse of the above Indent with endorsements by Robert Prince and this puzzling endorsement by the veteran:

Received of William McDowell full satisfaction for the within Indent

S/ John Goodlet

