

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Winningham S9531

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State of South Carolina Orangeburg District } to wit:

On this 17th day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before Josiah J Evans one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the District of Orangeburg now sitting, Joseph Winningham a Resident of Orange Parish in the District and State aforesaid in his Seventieth Year of his age, 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated. He was born on the Eight day of January in the year 1763 in St. John's Parish Colleton District, & when eight or nine years of age his Father moved with him into St. Mathews District of Orangeburg & State aforesaid & in this District he has remained ever since. In the spring 1781 he enlisted in the service of his country for ten months under Captain William Reid in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles S Middleton [Charles Starke Myddelton]; in a Brigade commanded by General Thomas Sumpter [Thomas Sumter]. The first affair in which he was engaged with the British happened with a party on their way to relieve their Garrison at Ninety Six¹. Sometime after this he was engaged in a Chase of the British from Biggin Church to a place called Quinben [Quinby Bridge, July 17, 1781], where a warm combat [of] fourteen or fifteen minutes ensued. The next serious business in which he acted was at the battle of the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], he was in an engagement with a party of the British, from near Williams Branch, down to the old field by the Eutaw Springs, in which the Artillery, Colonel Washington [William Washington], & Colonel Lee's [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee's] Infantry & General Sumpter's Infantry, to which he belonged, were engaged with the British eight or ten minutes before General Green [Nathanael Greene] with his Pennsylvanians, Marylanders, Virginians and North Carolinians joined them. This was on the 8th of September 1781 when he lacked four months of being nineteen Years of age. The company to which he was attached was placed on the left wing of the Army, the Artillery in the road, then Washington & Lee's Infantry & next General Green's Army & General Marion's [Francis Marion's] men occupied on the right. Captain Reid resigned & Captain Ross [Isaac Ross] succeeded him. In the commencement of the battle, Captain Ross commanded the company to which he was attached. After fighting a while the division extended its line to the left and Pickens' [Andrew Pickens'] men were marched up between it & the Artillery. Cols Walter [?]², Hampton [Wade Hampton or Henry Hampton], Polk [William Polk] & others were

¹ Nathanael Greene laid siege to the British outposts at Ninety Six on May 21, 1781 and was forced to lift the siege June 19, 1791 upon the threatened arrival of reinforcements under Lord Rawdon.

Col. Walter


among the Colonels commanding regiments in General Sumpters Brigade. He served his time out & was dismissed without a written discharge.

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.

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day & year aforesaid in open Court before

S/ Josiah J Evans, Presiding Judge

S/ J. Wunningham



[William Pauling,³ a clergyman and Thomas W. Glover Esquire gave the standard supporting affidavit. "And the said William Pauling further states that he served with the said Joseph Wunningham during the time herein stated, & can testify to his services as heretofore set forth. S/ Wm Paulling."]



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for his service as a private for 11 months in the South Carolina State Troops.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁴ relating to Joseph Wunningham
Audited Account No. 8665

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Know all Men by these presents that I Joseph Wunningham of St. Mathews in Berkley County in the State of South Carolina have bargained & sold to Mr. Hugh McClure of Chester County, Camden District in the State aforesaid a Negro that is due to me for Ten Months Service in the State Troops of South Carolina in a Regiment Commanded by Colonel Charles Myddelton in General Sumter's Brigade & the said Joseph Wunningham Qiting [quitting] Claims to the said Service or Negro that is Due to me for the said Service in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & seal this 18th of February in the year of our Lord 1782

S/ Jas. Rd. Jackson

S/ John Porter

S/ Jos. Wunningham



³ [William Paulling S21407](#)

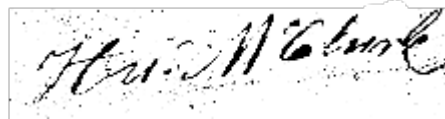
⁴ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian 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.

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I do hereby authorize and Impower Captain John Mills to Receive from the Commissioners appointed to settle with the State Brigade an indent due to me by the Public for Service done in said Brigade by Joseph Winningham which Indent I purchased of the said __ Witness [my] Hand this 11th Day of
November 1787

To the Commissioners appointed to
Settle the Accounts of the late State Brigade

S/ Hugh McClure

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Hugh McClure", enclosed within a rectangular border.