

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Benjamin Carter SC1224

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[p 6]

To the President & other Honorable Members of the Senate. The humble petition of Benjamin Carter humbly Sheweth That he is an old Soldier of the revolution and served faithfully to the end of the War. Your Petitioner further Sheweth that at the battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] he was severely wounded but having recovered he again rallied under the standard of liberty, and while his youth and health continued he was enabled to support his family by labor – But your Petitioner now is an old man and the springs of life are nearly worn out and being in indigent circumstances he appeals to the justice & magnanimity of that Country in whose services he has exhausted the [indecipherable word] of his manhood & begs your Honorable body to grant him two years arrearages of pensions and place him upon the list as a pensioner of this State & as in duty bound your Petitioner will ever pray.

S/ Benjamin Carter, X his mark

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South Carolina Richland District} Personally appeared before me Eugene Brannan, Notary public and Justice of the Quorum ex officio, Benjamin Carter who being duly Sworn Saith that he was a Soldier in the Revolutionary War and served for many years, and was wounded at Stono in his right arm, and is unable to maintain himself by Labor. Sworn to before me
2nd December 1824

S/ E Brannan

S/ Benjamin Carter, X his mark

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We as citizens of South Carolina do hereby Certify that Benjamin Carter of the same place did enlist under the command of Captain Richard Brown in the 3rd Regiment commanded by Colonel Thompson [William Thomson] in defense of the Independence of the United States of America.

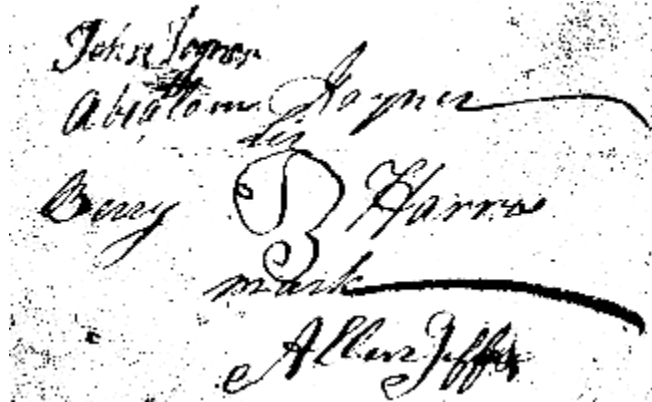
Given under our hands this

November 29th 1824

S/ John Joyner

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S/ Absalom Joyner
S/ Berry Harris, X his mark
S/ Allen Jeffers²



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The committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Carter praying for a pension

Report that they have had his petition under their consideration and recommend that the prayer thereof be granted and that he be placed on the pension list.

S/ E. Benbow Chairman

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The committee on Pensions to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Carter praying to be put on the Pension list, sent to this house from the Senate, Report, That your Committee have had the same under consideration, and Recommend that this House do Concur with the Senate, and that Benjamin Carter be allowed [word obliterated by ink blot] from and after [one or more words obliterated by ink blot] of the legislature

Respectfully submitted by your committee December 1824

S/ Wm [illegible] C of C

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I do hereby Certify that the Bearer of this is Benjamin Carter the Person who made application to the Legislature in December last to be made a pensioner of this State and that he was placed upon the pension [text obliterated] be seen by reference to the Act of the [text obliterated] given from under my hand this 28th day [text obliterated]

S/ John N Davis

St. James [?] Goose Creek



John N Davis
St. James Goose Creek

[Note: The veteran was placed on the Pension Roll of South Carolina at the rate of \$120 per annum.]

² [Allen Jeffers S1770](#)

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South Carolina

To the Honorable the President and other members of the Senate

The petition of Jacob Hess and Elizabeth his wife respectfully

Sheweth

That the said Elizabeth is the daughter of Alexander Brunson who was regularly enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary War and was killed at the close of the same by Tories. That the said Elizabeth intermarried with George Polan and by him had eight children of which six are still alive and after the death of Mr. Polan she intermarried with Benjamin Carter on the 18th January 1820 and by him had one child now live and four years of age.

That the said Benjamin Carter reported this life on the 9 July 1826 having received in the close of life, when he was aged and infirm a pension from the State for his Revolutionary services up to the 1st of March 1826, commencing about two years preceding his death as will appear from the Records of Your Honorable Body.

That the said Elizabeth afterwards intermarried with the said Jacob Hess and being now in great want and distress and having two of her said children one aged ten years of age and the other four years of age to maintain and support without any other means that in the monthly pay of her husband as a member of the City Guard, which amounts to \$16 per month and what she is able to earn with her needle, she and her said husband Your petitioners solicit the Compassion of Your Honorable Body and pray that they may be allowed the amount of the Pension granted to the said Benjamin Carter from the first of March 1826 (to which period he had been paid up) to the 9th of July 1826, when he departed this life and such other aid and relief as Your Honorable Body may be disposed to grant them. And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray and so forth.

Sworn to before me

November 13th 1827

S/ C. C. Chitty QU

S/ Jacob Hess, X his mark

S/ Elizabeth Hess, X her mark

[pp 23-24: Identical petition addressed to the South Carolina House of Representatives]

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The committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Jacob & Elizabeth Hess praying for the balance of pension due her deceased husband Benjamin Carter at his death.

Report that your committee are of opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted and recommend that the Treasurer be directed to pay to the said Jacob & Elizabeth Hess the amount he may find was due to Benjamin Carter at his death.

S/ E. Benbow, Chairman

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State of South Carolina Charleston District } Personally appeared before me Joshua Joyner who being duly Sworn maketh oath that he was well acquainted with Benjamin Carter (in his lifetime) the former Husband of Elizabeth Hess now married to Jacob Hess: that the said Benjamin Carter died in the upper part of St. James Goose Creek on the 9th of July 1826: that he this Deponent made his Coffin & seen his body interred on the 10th July 1826 and can at this moment point out the place where the said Benjamin Carter's body was interred.

Sworn to before me
the 8 March 1828

S/ [illegible signature]

Notary Public & QU ex officio

S/ Joshua Joyner

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joshua Joyner".

[p 30: Receipt for \$21.48 being the balance due the veteran at the time of his death]