

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Carter SC1236
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Petition of William Carter December 1797

Committee

Mr. Robinson

Major Threewits

Major Hampton

Captain Dorer

Major Thornley

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To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The Humble Petition of William Carter

Sheweth

That whereas your Petitioner was badly wounded through the Breast and Hip at the Eutaw Springs fighting for his Country in General Green's [Nathanael Greene's] Army on the 8th day of September, in the Year 1781, as a private Soldier in Captain Robert Thornley's Company, Colonel John Erwin's Regiment and General Francis Marion's Brigade of Militia, which wound disabled your Petitioner from acquiring his living, and supporting his family by hard labor, that your petitioner has never before applied for assistance from the Public, owing to a wish and desire, with his best endeavors to support himself, and family, which he finds at present, he is not able to do: that your Petitioner is not possessed of property sufficient to support his family, which consists of three Children – Your Petitioner therefore prays that your Honorable House would be pleased to consider his distressed situation and grant him such relief as is afforded to others, in the same situation – and your Petitioner will ever Pray &c
Liberty County,² November 20th 1797

S/ William Carter



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² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Counties/liberty_county_sc.html

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State of South Carolina George Town District } Appeared before me William Carter who maketh Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that he was an inhabitant of the said District before January 1785 that he was wounded by the British Troops at the Eutaw Springs in the year 1781 under the Command of General Marion that he was a friend of his country when wounded, and that the wound has disabled him from Acquiring his Livelihood as formerly, that he does not on either Negroes or Land, which would disqualify him from obtaining the annuity due him by Law, from March 1786 and that he was in the Militia Service from the beginning of the war till he was wounded.

Sworn to before me this

16th day of May 1797

S/ John Dozet, JQ

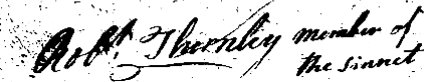
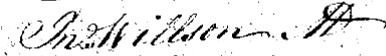
S/ William Carter

We do Severally Certified that the above Named William Carter is an Invalid and is entitled to the annuity allowed by law

S/ Thos. T. Wickham, M. D.

S/ Jn. Willson, A. D.

S/ Robt. Thornley, member of the sinnet [sic, Senate]



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I do Certify that having examined the Scars of William Carter occasioned by a wound he received at the Eutaw Springs, it appears from there situation that he may be disabled & unable to get his living by Manual Labor.

S/ Jas. Brickell

St. John's Parish, 15th of November 1797

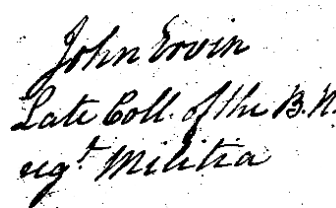
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I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof William Carter of the Britton's Neck Regiment of Militia received a wound at the battle of Eutaw Springs fighting against the British, September 1781.

Given under my hand this 16th day of May 1797

S/ John Ervin

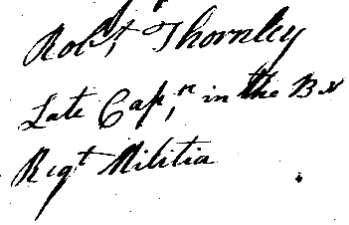
Late Colonel of the B. N. Regt. Militia



I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof William Carter of the Britton's neck Regiment of Militia then commanded by Colonel John Ervin and belonging to My Company received a

Wound at the battle of Eutaw Springs fighting against the British September 1781. Given under my hand this 13 day of November 1797

S/ Robt. Thornley
Late Captain in the B. N. Regt. Militia



Robt. Thornley
Late Capⁿ in the B.N.
Regt Militia

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The Committee to Whom was Referred the Petition of William Carter have duly Considered the same and are of Opinion from the Documents Laid before us that as far as Relates to himself the Petition ought to be Granted.

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Sir

Please to pay one Charles Barefeets [?] the sum of 10 pounds due to me from the public Treasury of South Carolina for the year 1779 or 1799 as I was enrolled on the pension list in December 1798 and you will oblige your humble servant
October 22nd, 1799 S/ William Carter

We do hereby Certify that the Bearer William Carter was enrolled on the pension list of this State passed by a Resolve of the Assembly in December 1798 for his being wounded In the Defense of the State of South Carolina and is not possessed of any Negroes and is justly entitled to said pension which are now in [sic] due him Given under our hands this 26 day of January 1800

S/ Richard Taylor, JQ
S/ Thos. T. Wickham, JP
S/ John McRee

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No. 28 21.42/100 Dollars
April 20th 1802
Annuitants

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Received April 21st from Daniel Doyley Esqr. Commissioner of the Treasury twenty one dollars 42 Cents in full for my Annuity 1802

S/ William Carter

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To the Honorable the Speaker, and other members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina at Columbia Assembled – the Petition of William Carter humbly Sheweth – That your Petitioner was a soldier in the late revolutionary war; served under General Marion, and at the battle of the Eutaw was dangerously wounded in his body by a musket ball from the

British – in consequence of which he suffered extremely fourteen months – that he has not at any time since he was wounded possessed two Negroes; but only a small tract of land – that the wound he received rendered him unable to support himself as formerly that he is now advanced in years, & has a wife and three children to support – that your Honorable body in the year 1799 placed him on the Pension list, since which time he has annually been paid a pension – that he humbly conceives he was justly entitled to a pension from the time he received his wound, until the year 1793; which liberality has been extended to many under circumstances similar to his own – that he presumes he is not being placed on the pension list sooner was owing to his ignorance of the proper time and mode of application, & not to any want of justice or feeling on the part of the Legislature – He therefore humbly prays your Honorable body to take his case into consideration and to allow him the same payable ~~heretofore~~ as has been heretofore allowed to other wounded and disabled though faithful friends and service of their country – & your Petitioner in duty bound will ever pray &c

Williamsburg District

South Carolina – October 21st 1807

S/ William Carter

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The Committee of Pensions on the petition [of] William Carter, which was recommitted

Report

That they have carefully considered the same, and by the documents accompanying it, appears that the said Carter was wounded in the battle of Eutaw, being shot by a musket ball through the body in consequence of which he has been rendered incapable of supporting himself and family.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted.

S/ Nathan Lipscomb, Chairman

In the Senate December 10th 1807

Resolved that this House do agree to the above Report

Ordered that the same be sent to the House of Representatives for their Concurrence.

By order of Senate

S/ B. H. Saxon, C. S.

[Note: The balance of the documents in this file deal with the renewal and payment of the pension annuity to the veteran with the last document being a receipt dated June 3, 1819 indicating a payment to the veteran of \$120 being for the annuity due him for 1818 & 1819.]