

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Cooper SC1547

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Chester District

the Petition of John Cooper praying to be placed on the pension list

Pensions

Eaves

Rejected

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To the Honorable the Senate & house of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The petition of John Cooper humbly Sheweth that your petitioner was a soldier during the Revolutionary War turned out as a Volunteer under Captain Nixon [John Nixon] at the Snowy Camps Captain Nixon's Company was Attached to General Richardson's [Richard Richardson's] Brigade. Then returned home. Then turned out under Lieutenant Adams [Alexander Adams] & went to Charleston to the Attack of Fort Moultrie [June 28, 1776] & there was till after the battle was over & then was discharged and came home. In 1779 I turned out at the Augusta Camp in Captain Nixon's Company who was Attached to Colonel Winn's Regiment & General Williamson's [Andrew Williamson's] Brigade. I then marched down the Savannah River on the Georgia side and Crossed & came to Stono and was there in Military service [presumably at the time of the Battle of Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779] then came home. After the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] I turned out under Captain Adams [Samuel Adams] whose company was Attached to Colonel Lacey's [Edward Lacey's] Regiment & under General Sumter [Thomas Sumter] but was not at the battle of the hanging Rock [August 6, 1780] having the misfortune to lose my horse in the evening before we crossed the Catawba River but joined the Army at some distance above the hanging rock then marched down the River to Grave's Ford. Then after we heard of Gates Defeat [the defeat of the Southern Division of the Continental Army under the command of General Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] we Retreated up the River & came home. I then removed to North Carolina & was on Military service of there. But a long lapse of time having expired I

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cannot remember all of the places where I was called out to do Military duty in South Carolina & the much fatigue & travel that I have spent in the struggle for Independence.

He would state to your Honorable Body that he is now old & infirm in body & very subject to the gravel & seldom able to do any kind of labor he humbly prays your Honorable body to place him on the Pension list he having but slender claims on life being in the Seventy Sixth year of his age and your humble petitioner as ever in duty bound & will for ever pray &c



South Carolina

Chester District } John Cooper personally appeared before me the Subscribing Justice & being duly sworn Saith that the Statements made in the within petition are TRUE, & that he owns one hundred and nine Acres of Land forty of the Second Quality and the Balance of the third – one horse & a Small Stock of Cattle and no slaves

Sworn to the 19th day of November 1827

before me

S/ David Jamieson, JP

S/ John Cooper

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South Carolina Chester District } Personally came William McGerrity² before me the Subscribing [text too faint to discern] made Oath According to Law saith That he was acquainted with John Cooper in the Time of the Revolutionary War & That he served with him at Augusta in Captain Nixon's Company which was attached to General Williamson's Brigade. Then after the fall of Charleston he turned out under General Sumter in Captain Adams Company, I was in Captain McClure's Company both Companies was attached to Colonel Lacey's Regiment & he was a True friend to his Country Throughout the whole of the Struggle for Independence. Sworn to this 16th day of December 1827 before

S/ David Jamieson, JP

S/ William McGerrity, X his mark

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South Carolina Chester District } Personally Appeared John McDill before me the Subscribing Justice & being Duly Sworn according to law Saith that he was acquainted with John Cooper in the Time of the Revolutionary War and that he Served with him a Soldier in the year 1778 near Augusta in the State of Georgia a Campaign we then Crossed the River in the Georgia Side I know not when he was Discharged. The Army continued there marched down towards Savannah. We were at that time in Captain Nixons Company he was attached to Colonel Winn's Regiment & General Williamson's Brigade. I still understand him to be a Good friend to his Country Throughout the whole of the Struggle for Independence. Sworn to the 16th day of November 1827 before me

S/ David Jamieson, JP

s/ John McDill³

² Sic, I believe this is the same man as [William McGarity R6713](#)

³ [John McDill S21879](#)

John M. Gill

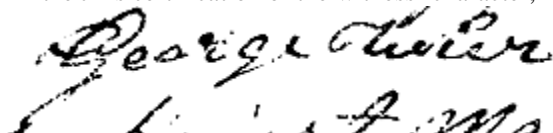
South Carolina Chester District} Personally appeared George [surname too faint to discern] before me the Subscriber [text too faint to discern] being Duly Sworn Saith that he was acquainted with John Cooper in the Revolutionary war. That he was really acquainted with him in the Army & served with him in Captain John Nixon's company and who was attached to [text too faint to discern] at the Snowy Camps then was Discharged [text too faint to discern] turned out under Lieutenant Adams & went to Charleston to the Attack on Fort Moultrie & there till after the Battle was over & was Discharged & then came home then Turned out under Captain Adams whose Company was Attached to General [text too faint to discern] & crossed the Catawba River & parted there & was no more in service together – but he the said John Cooper [text too faint to discern] bore a good Character & he [text too faint to discern] friend to this Country, Enduring the Struggle for Independence
Sworn to the 16th day of November 1827 before me
S/ David Jamieson, JP

S/ Geo [?]⁴

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Geo [?]", enclosed within a rectangular box.

[Note: The veteran's petition was rejected, but the reason(s) for such action is (are) not stated in the documents in this file.]

⁴ In the JP's certification of the witness' character, he names him as

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George [?]", with the name "George" clearly legible.

I still can't make out his surname. Frustrating