

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Phillip Cress SC1687 AA8

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[p 2: Printed form of Indent No. 558 Book M dated October 1, 1784 “delivered to Mr. Phil l Cress late a Private in Captain Martin’s [Samuel Martin’s] Troop Polk’s [William Polk’s] Regiment Sumpter’s [Thomas Sumter’s] Brigade this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Ninety four pounds Sterling amount of pay and bounty due him for Services in that troop and Interest thereon from first of April 1782 to date hereof agreeable to a Resolve of General Assembly of Eleventh March last.”]

[p 3: Reverse of the above Indent bearing a number of endorsements, but none by the veteran.]

[p 4: envelope of a letter addressed to the Speaker of the Senate of the legislature of South Carolina in Columbia.]

[p 5]

Claim of Philip Cress a Soldier of the Revolutionary War

[p 6]

Concord, N.C. December 8th, 1819

Sir,

I here enclose an attested account against the State of South Carolina, in favor of Philip Cress, a Revolutionary soldier. Mr. Cress is a very obscure man, and consequently unacquainted with the nature of public business; and he is now in such reduced circumstances (together with a family of daughters) that humanity and charity ought to be sufficient to induce your Honorable body to adjust his small claim.

Mr. Cress cannot obtain a Pension from the general Government, as we [sic, he] was not a soldier in the Regular Army.

The claim of Mr. C__ is very small, although to him in his present distressed situation, would afford him some relief. Your attention to the above will be much oblige,

yours respectfully

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S/ John Travis, ___ County Court

NB

Mr. C__ is appears of 70 years of age.

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State of South Carolina	To Philip Cress	Dr.
As a Soldier in General Sumpters Brigade, Captain William		
Hutchison's Company William Polk's Regiment		
To 1 Coat 30/ 2 vests 30/ 2 shirts 18/8		£3.18.8
2 p. Shoes 9/4 1 pr. Overalls 4/8 1 Cap 4/8		.18.8
1 Blanket 9/4 1 p Spurs 4/8		<u>.14.0</u>
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1st November 1783

Sworn to before

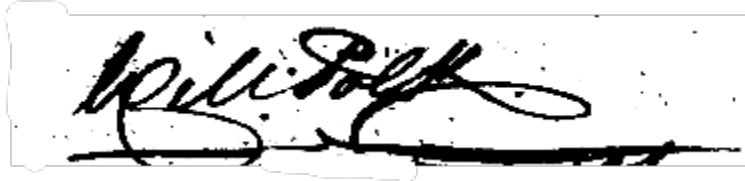
S/ Geo. Graham, JP

S/ Robt. Irwin, JP²

I certify that Phillip Cress was a soldier in my [words written over and rendered illegible in General Sumter's Brigade & that he completed his enlistment.

S/ Will Polk

November 1st, 1793


 A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Will Polk", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is enclosed within a rectangular border.

² These 2 justices of the peace were certified to be such by the clerk of court of Mecklenburg County North Carolina.