

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Abraham Livingston SC2014
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Abraham Livingston's Petition
Committee Indents

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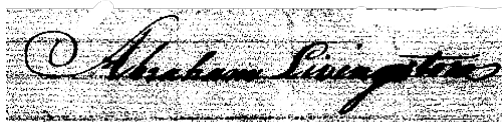
To the Honorable the Speaker and other Members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The Petition of Abraham Livingston Sheweth That your Petitioner has served in the State Troop ten months Service of the aforesaid State during the late American revolutionary Struggle for which Service he was entitled to receive £86.10.8 as per Act of the General Assembly of the said State and his Clothing

That he hath received in part pay of the Same to the amount of £45.7.6 in a small Negro and part his Clothing. That there still remains due him the sum of Forty-seven Pounds Nineteen Shillings with Interest thereon as per Account within exhibited. That he hath made Application from time to time and in divers ways for the Balance of said Account and hath never received any Compensation for the same either in money discount Indent Certificate or otherwise, other than General Sumter's [Thomas Sumter's] certificate herewith shown. That he rendered his Account previous to the 1st of October 1801, And that the Comptroller hath remarked on the papers accompanying this petition "that the same is Baned [sic] by law" Notwithstanding General Sumter's Certificate to the Contrary:

Wherefore your petitioner prays that you would take his case under your Consideration and Grant him such relief and redress as the reason and Justice of his Claim may require, And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

S/ Abraham Livingston

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Abraham Livingston", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) 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 "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

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N. B. Your Petitioner prayed by Petition last Session, but nothing was done for him being late in the Session

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Report on Petition of Abraham Livingston No. 2 November 30, 1802 tomorrow

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The Committee to whom the petition of Abraham Livingston was referred
Report

The subject therein contained has already been referred to the Comptroller – they therefore recommend the consideration thereof be postponed until his Report thereon –

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State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the President and other Members of the Senate of the State aforesaid now met and Sitting in General Assembly –

The petition of Abraham Livingston – Humbly Sheweth – That your petitioner hath served in the state troop ten months service of said State during the late American Revolution for which Service he was entitled to receive eighty-six pounds ten shillings and eight pence as per Act of the General Assembly of this State and his Clothing –

That he hath received in part pay of the same to the Amount of forty-five pounds seven Shillings and six pence in a small Negro and part his Clothing – That there still remains due him the sum of forty-seven pounds nineteen Shillings with interest thereon as per Account herewith exhibited – That he hath made application from time to time and in divers ways for the balance of said Account, and has never received any compensation for the same in money, Property, indent or certificates other than General Sumter certificate herewith shown – That he rendered his account into the Comptroller previous to the 1st of October 1801, That your Petitioner at the Session following preferred a petition praying payments the same was referred to the Comptroller who reported to the Session of the Legislature in 1802 in the following words viz.

“State of South Carolina

To the Honorable Robert Starke Speaker and other members of the House of Representatives of the State aforesaid, the Comptroller General on the Petition of Abraham Livingston specially referred at the last Session of the Legislature Reports – That having carefully examined the pay Rolls of Sumter’s Brigade he finds that the petitioner is entitled to the amount of the balance account which is two hundred and five dollars and fifty cents for which he has never received an Indent. It is therefore recommended that this amount with interest from the 26th of March 1784 be allowed him, that being the date from which interest has always been allowed on such Claims, and that provision be made for this among the registered claims – respectfully submitted

by Paul Hamilton, Comptroller General”

Upon examination of the Journals of the House of Representatives it does not appear that anything further has been done in the premises – Therefore your Petitioner prays your Honorable body to take his case under your [illegible text] consideration and grant him such speedy relief in the premises [illegible text] and proper

and your Petitioner as in duty bound will pray
S/ Abraham Livingston

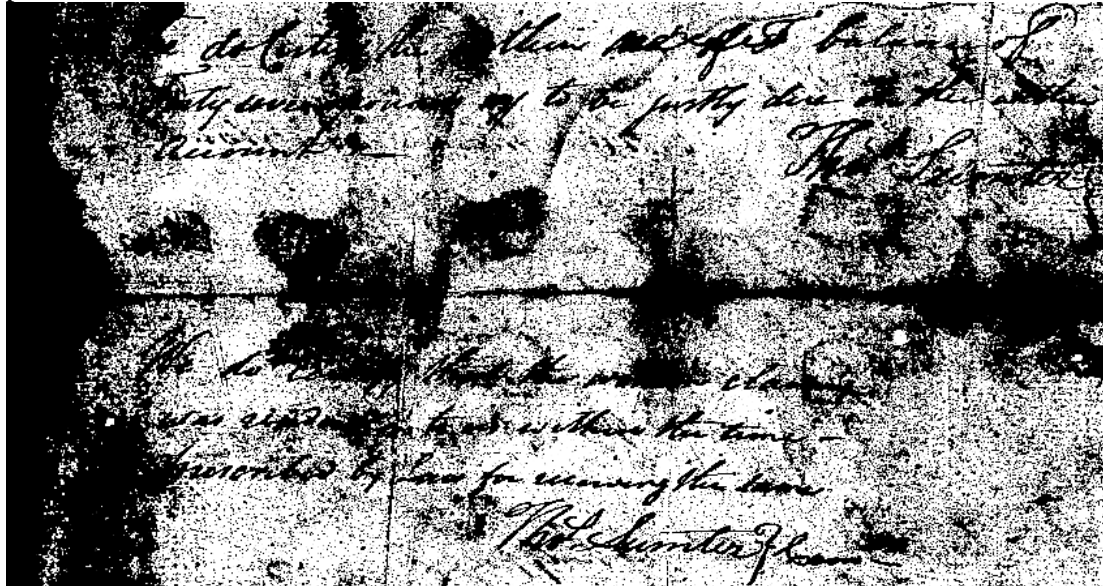
[p 20 partially legible document which appears to be Livingston's account of the amounts due him. Most of it I can't read but below is what I could decipher in part]

By Small Negroe taken at half pay		
per Contract with Major Buford [William Buford,		
Sumter's Brigade Major]	43.5.4	
1 Shirt 7/6 1 Cap 4/8 2 pair overalls 30/	2.2.2	£45.7.6
		£47.19.0

South Carolina Lancaster County} Personally appeared Mr. Abraham Livingston who being duly sworn maketh oath that he served ten months in the State Troops of South Carolina part under the Command of Colonel Hill [William Hill] and Colonel Polk [William Polk], and that the above account is just all do you credit given thereon, and [only unconnected words are legible] before me this 19th day of November 1791

[?] Tate J L Court S/ Abraham Livingston

[p 21: appears to be the certificate given by General Thomas Sumter referred to in the veteran's petitions



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I do hereby certify that Abraham Livingston a Soldier transferred from Colonel Hill's Regiment into that commanded by me was wounded [at the Battle of the Eutaw]² and was sent to Hospital & there continued until the expiration of the service, not having recovered of his wound & is entitled to pay agreeably to the enlistment.

² This is what I think I see but the text is virtually illegible as posted. If I'm correct in my interpretation, he would have been wounded in the battle of Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781
https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

Given under my Hand this 24th day of October 1791

S/ Will Polk

late Lieutenant Colonel Commandant
of the [illegible] State Troops

I hereby certify that Abraham Livingston a
Soldier transferred from Col. Hill's Regiment
into that command by me was wounded
in the ~~service~~ of the ~~State~~ and was sent to
Hospital ~~there~~ ~~command~~ until the expiration
of the ~~service~~, not having recovered of his wounds
he is entitled to pay ~~appropriately~~ to the ~~outfitment~~
Given under my Hand this 24th
day of October 1791
Will Polk
late Lt. Col. Commandant
of the ~~State~~ State Troops

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Petition of A Livingston praying to be placed on the Pension list

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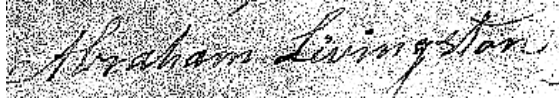
To the Honorable the Speaker and other members of house of Representatives now met and
sitting in General Assembly at Columbia
Gentlemen

Your petitioner by this his petition would show that he was a soldier of the revolutionary war that he served in the militia under Captain Coffey in the Waxhaw's settlement at or about the time of the fall of Charleston they went into North Carolina refugeeing and again entered the militia service under Captain Taggart [Joseph Taggart of the Mecklenburg County North Carolina militia] under whom he served out his tour of service that he then enlisted in Colonel Hill's Regiment of ten months from which he was transferred to Colonel Polk's Regiment and was severely wounded & sent to the hospital as will more fully appear by a reference being had to the certificate of Colonel William Polk herewith submitted that he is now very old and infirm and utterly unable to support himself by labor, that he is now however reluctantly compelled to ask the State of South Carolina to support him in his declining life and finally hopes he will not be neglected.

That whilst he was able to work for his own support he scorned to ask for relief, but old age and poverty have overtaken him and compelled him to make this application and as he is now in very needy circumstances he fondly hopes you will allow him some arrearages of pension such as will comport with the generosity and liberality of the State and that he be permanently placed on the pension list and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray

Sworn to and subscribed
this 23rd day of November
1827 before
S/ James A Black, J Q

S/ Abraham Livingston

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Abraham Livingston", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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