

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Prator [Prater] SC2365

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7 December 1809

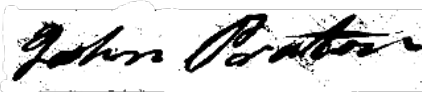
The Petition of John Prator Praying to be put on the pension list
Committee on Pensions

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To the Honorable the Speaker and the other Members of the House of Representatives now met
and Sitting in general Assembly –

The petition of John Prator Humbly Sheweth that your petitioner did Early in the last war with Great Britain enlist as a Soldier in the 3rd Regiment of this State under the command of Colonel Thompson [William Thomson] For the Term of three years and Served two years and Six Months and then enlisted a man in his place to Serve During the War on Which he got his Discharge, and Returned Home, and Did Duty in the Militia Commanded by the then Colonel Andrew Pickens and under his Command on or about the 14th Day of February in the year of our Lord 1779 [Cherokee Ford]² your Petitioner Received a wound through his Shoulder which Broke the bone in an Engagement with a party of Royalist[s] under the Command of Colonel Boyd [John Boyd] your Petitioner's wound could not be cured yet as soon as your Petitioner was able he Turned out again, almost Continually until the end of the war and fought often against the English, Tories and Indians but as your petitioner is now advanced in years his wound is become painful and Broke out in a very bad Running Sore and hath Rendered your petitioner unable to work for a Living for himself and family and has become very poor, therefore your Petitioner Humbly prays that your Honorable body will Take his case into consideration and put him on the Pension List and grant him Such other Relief as in your wisdom Shall think proper for his long Services and in Duty bound will Ever pray –

S/ John Prator



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² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_ford.html

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The Committee to whom was referred sundry Petitions praying to be placed on the Pension list. After due investigation of the same

Report

On the Petition of John Prater [sic] That the prayer thereof be so far granted as that he be placed on the Pension List, and that he be paid for six years Pension, being for arrears due. Amounting to one hundred twenty-eight Dollars fifty-eight Cents

On the Petition of Simon Lee That the prayer thereof be so far granted as that he be placed on the Pension list, and that he be paid 3 years Pension, being for arrears due, Amounting to sixty-four Dollars twenty-eight Cents.

S/ Joseph Bellinger, Chairman

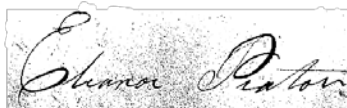
December 9, 1809

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To the Honorable the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina
Your Petitioner humbly Sheweth

That she is the Wife of John Prator of Pendleton District who was granted a Pension Annuity by the Legislature about 12 or 15 years ago after a few years he removed to the Western Country & left her in a destitute Situation she being an old Woman about seventy-five years of age and all her Children only one Daughter is removed out of this State prayeth she may be granted the same pension formerly granted her Husband & will in Duty & gratitude ever pray
November 7, 1822

S/ Eleanor Prator



[p 21: Wife's petition is not granted—12 December 1822]

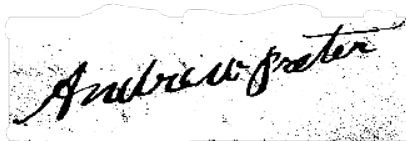
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The State of Alabama Pickens County} This day Personally came before me James T. Burdine an acting Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid Andrew Prator & after being Duly Sworn as the law directs Deposeth & saith that John Prator was a Resident of Pendleton District South Carolina & lived there for many years & that he married Eleanor Pickens & that he the said John Prator Died at my house in Pickens County & State of Alabama in December last.

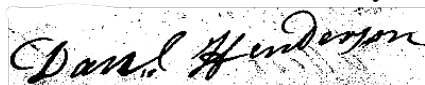
Sworn to & subscribed before me this 12th day of November A.D. 1830

S/ James T. Burdine, JP

S/ Andrew Preter



[Daniel Henderson of Pickens County Alabama gave a supporting affidavit stating that John Prator died in Pickens County Alabama at the house of Andrew Prator.



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South Carolina Pickens District} To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the house of Representatives, The petition of the undersigned Humbly Sheweth that she is the widow of John Prator who was a revolutionary Soldier and fought in the defense of the United States against the British and Indian forces that he was badly wounded and that she nursed him about four months in a hospital in Abbeville District that some time since the Revolutionary War he said John Prator was placed on the pension list and drew from this State a pension that since his death She is left entirely destitute of the means of Support and having no Property but her wearing apparel and being now upwards of eighty-three years of age and to infirm to labor for a living does therefore pray your Honorable Body to take her case into Consideration and allow her whatever arrears would have been due on said Pension had her Husband have lived to this time and to continue said pension to her during the remainder of her life or any other relief that you in your Wisdom may think fit and your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray – December 2, 1830
S/ Eleanor Prater, X her mark

[Note: Documents in the file indicate that the widow was placed on the pension list at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing as of May 31, 1831 up to the time of her death on November 15, 1837.]