

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Nicoll [Nickle] SC2423  
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 5519B

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[No.] 3658

No. 114

[Book] X

25 August 86 [1786]

John Nickle [sic] For Militia Duty in Roebuck's [Benjamin Roebuck's] Regiment, since the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] per Anderson's [Colonel Robert Anderson's] Return [Not extant] Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency      £3.0.0

Sterling      £0.8.6 ¾

Ex<sup>d</sup>. J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

Received 25 August 1786 full satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 3658 Book X  
S/ John Nicoll



[p 3: Repeat of the above information]

[p 4: Printed form of indent No. 3658 Book X]

[p 5: Reverse of the above Indent showing several endorsements including several by John Nicoll]

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Petition of John Nicoll praying compensation & provision for Revolutionary services & losses  
Petitions  
Granted

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<sup>1</sup> 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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To the Honorable the President & other members of the Senate, the Speaker & other Members of the House of Representatives

The petition of John Nicoll most humbly Sheweth that your petitioner engaged in the service of his Country as a Lieutenant in the Company commanded by Captain Barry in Colonel John Thomas's Regiment Spartanburg County and continued in the said company until May 1781 when your Petitioner was attacked by a party of Loyalist, and literally cut to pieces, so much hurt by his wounds & the consequent loss of blood he lay helpless for the term of ten days and lost on the same occasion all his property to the amount of One hundred & fifty Pounds; and was ultimately despaired of his senses for a long period of time. That your petitioner also deposited in the loan office a quantity of paper money which had been put into circulation by the British officers which was counterfeit: that he received a certificate therefore; and deposited the same in the office of the Secretary of State which your petitioner has never received it being lost. Your petitioner was a soldier for four years; that he is now 82 years of age and stands in need of assistance. He therefore prays your Honorable body to make such provision for him as he may be deemed worthy of

S/ John Nicoll

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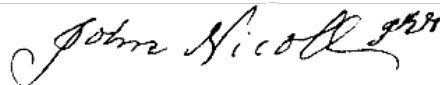
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South Carolina Greenville District} Personally came before me Robert Nelson one of the Justices of the peace in and for said District John Nicoll Junior and made Oath in due form of law and saith on said Oath that in the year 1781 to the best of his knowledge that he saw Colonel Young of the murderous Tory party strike John Nicoll Senior with a sword and give him the said John Nicoll Senior a very severe Wound.

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1819

S/ Robert Nelson, JP

S/ John Nicoll, Junior

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Nicoll 1819", with a horizontal line underneath.

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South Carolina Spartanburg District} I do Certify that from the commencement to the close of the Revolutionary War, I was well acquainted with Mr. John Nicoll.

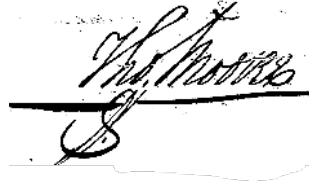
In the year 1775, when British Tyranny had encroached on our rights & liberties, & our Country compelled to appeal to the GoD [sic] of battles, he was amongst the first Citizens of Spartan Regiment (then commanded by Colonel John Thomas) who raised the standard of Independence & marched to the tented field with the rank of Lieutenant, in Captain Andrew Barry's Company, fearlessly pledging his life, & all that was dear to him in defense of his country.

Through the whole of our revolutionary struggle Lieutenant Nicoll continued a firm patriot. His hospitality to our suffering troops were only limited by his ability to supply their wants, which he did without remuneration, until near the close of the War: the Tories deprived him, not only of the pleasure, but the ability of feeding & comforting the war worn soldier, by

Burning, Plundering, & carrying away his property, and at the same time severely wounded him in the head with a Sword. Lieutenant Nicoll is now upwards of eighty years old, & by his losses in the Revolutionary War, & his misfortunes since, he is reduced to extreme poverty

Given under my hand the 8<sup>th</sup> November 1819

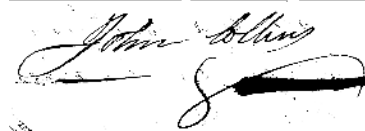
S/ Thomas Moore

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I do also hereby certify that I commanded the Spartan Regiment at the time Mr. John Nicoll received a very severe wound and the above statement Given by Mr. Moore is correct.

Given under my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> of November 1819

S/ John Collins

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'John Collins', written over a horizontal line.

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November the 15<sup>th</sup>, 1819

South Carolina G. [Greenville] District} We the under named Subscribers hereby Certify that we knew Mr. John Nicoll in the time of the Revolutionary war to be a Good friend to his Country, and that he had a number of Houses burnt by the Tories, and he the said Nicoll Received a severe wound on the head by a stroke of a Sword by the Commander of said Tories, and that they the said Tories divested the House of nearly all its furniture as well as the Family's wearing apparel, several Horses and some beef Cattle, which reduced the said Nicoll's Family to Extreme want.

S/ John Young

S/ William Young

Two handwritten signatures in cursive script, one above the other, appearing to read 'John Young' and 'Wm Young', written over a horizontal line.

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State of S. C. Spartanburg District

We whose names are hereunto Subscribed do certify and affirm that John Nicoll the present petitioner Served as a Lieutenant in the Revolutionary war in Captain Andrew Berry's company Colonel John Thomas's Regiment: And having Sustained severe losses and damages there from, he hopes the Legislature will take the same into consideration, as the amount of the spoliations are here accurately named, which said transactions happened and on Damages done on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1781 by Colonel William Young Commander of a Tory Scout, further said Nicoll received a severe wound on the head with a sword by the said Scout which rendered him

incapable of service for a considerable time and now is Eighty-three years old and reduced to extreme poverty

Spoilation [sic]	Viz.	\$ Cnts.
7 hogs 150 pounds each		42.00
7 Horses at 100 \$		700.00
2 Steers at 10 \$		20.00
3 Rifle guns at 16 \$		48.00
50 Gallons Brandy at 1\$ per gallon		50.00
10 Acres oats		50.00
1 Beaver Hat at 10\$		10.00
Household furniture		<u>40.00</u>
Total Amount		960.00

We the under named Subscribers do Certify that we believe the Above Account and Statement to be Just and True

Given under our hands this 31<sup>st</sup> Day of October 1820 and that we were young men in service at the same time.

S/ James Porter

S/ David Anderson<sup>4</sup>

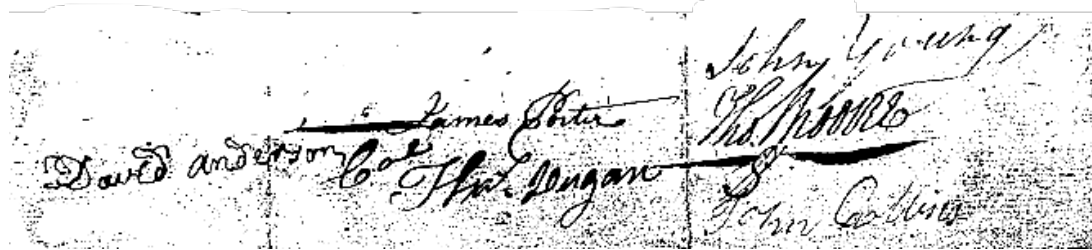
S/ Col. Thomas Dugan

S/ James Alexander,<sup>2</sup> JP

S/ John Young<sup>3</sup>

S/ Thomas Moore

S/ John Collins<sup>5</sup>

A rectangular area containing six handwritten signatures in cursive script. From left to right, the signatures are: James Porter, David Anderson, Col. Thomas Dugan, John Young, Thomas Moore, and John Collins. The signatures are written in dark ink on a light background.

[p 22: Receipt dated December 5, 1820 indicates that John Nicoll was paid 2 years annuity at the rate of \$60 per annum.]

<sup>2</sup> [James Alexander W9327](#)

<sup>3</sup> [John Young W1976](#)

<sup>4</sup> [David Anderson SC177](#)

<sup>5</sup> [John Collins SC1464](#)