

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Henry Felder SC2700  
Audited Account No. 2336

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For the Honorable John L Loyd Esquire President, and the Rest of the Members of the  
Honorable The Senate

The Petition of Henry Felder  
Sheweth

That at different Periods from the Beginning of the late War until the Surrender of  
Charles Town [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Your Petitioner  
was frequently engaged in Militia Duties & never received any pay for his services, but that he  
kept no Account of nor does he desire any Pay for them.

That on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 1781 he joined Colonel Charles Middleton's [Charles Myddelton's]  
Corps & was constantly on Duty afterwards under different Officers until January 1782.

That one William Guest having bought Seventy head of Cattle for the British was in May  
1781 driving on to Camden but General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] having been lately taken  
Orangeburg [May 11, 1781] together with the party who had held it & Guest's Drivers having  
thereupon run away, Guest finding himself unable to proceed to Camden with the Cattle, he gave  
them up to Your Petitioner, telling him that he might do with them what he pleased, whereupon  
Your Petitioner drove them to Orangeburg for the Use of the American Army, by whom they  
were accordingly Consumed.

That in the year 1778, Your Petitioner's Father Henry Felder Senior kept Store in his  
Dwelling House near Orangeburg and said House was forcibly entered in the Night by a Party of  
Tories who took out of the Store & carried off a Considerable Quantity of Goods & burnt the  
said Dwelling House, the Rest of the said Goods, all the household Furniture, a Quantity of  
Grain, and a Considerable number of other Articles, which were contained in the said House:  
Also a Sum of Two Thousand Pounds Paper Money belonging to the State, which had been Sent  
into his hands as one of the Commissioners for Clearing the Fork of Edisto River.

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That the Loss, which Your Petitioner's Father sustained by this Act was estimated at upwards of 2000 Guineas exclusive of the Public money.

That your Petitioner's Father thereupon built another Dwelling House on his said Plantation but that House was burnt, & his Father killed by a Party of Tories in 1780.

That the Zeal & Exertions of your Petitioner's Father in the Service of this State are so well known, that Your Petitioner thirts [trusts?] it unnecessary to say any thing More on those Points, then that he is persuaded, they were the Occasion of the Loss both of his Property and Life. That he left a Widow & Ten Children now living 4 of whom are Young, the eldest not above 11 & the Youngest not above 4 Years of Age.

That his Father lost all his Stock of Cattle & Several Negroes by the Tories & British, so that his Estates of which Your Petitioner (being the Heir at Law & Administrator of his father) means to give each Child an equal Share, is thus greatly reduced & become Small & inconsiderable.

That John Fielder a Brother of your Petitioner commanding a Volunteer Company of Militia in 1781 was Sent by Colonel Washington [William Washington] on a Special and dangerous Service, in the Execution of which he was taken Prisoner by the Enemy, & having escaped from them attempted to Swim across the Congaree River at McCord's Ferry, he was fired on by the Enemy and either killed by them or drowned in Crossing said River.

That he left a widow & 2 Children, One about Seven and the other about 5 years of Age, & a very Small Estate only 100 Acres of Land & 2 Negroes.

Your Petitioner therefore Prays that your Honorable House will be pleased to take the premises into Consideration & grant such Relief therein as to you shall appear proper.

H Felder



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In the House of Representatives  
February 6<sup>th</sup> 1786

The Committee on the Petition of Henry Felder Esquire –  
Report

That they have considered the said petition and recommend that the Treasurer issue an Indent to Mr. Felder for one hundred thirty pounds (as the value of the Cattle mentioned in the said petition) bearing interest from April 1783, but with respect to the other matters mentioned in the said petition they cannot recommend to the House to make any Provision

Resolved that this House do agree with the Report

Ordered that the report and Resolution be sent to the Honorable the Senate for their concurrence.

By order of the House  
S/ John Sanford Dart, Clerk

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In the Said Senate February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1786

Resolved, That this House do concur with the House of Representatives in the foregoing Resolution.

Ordered: That the Resolutions be sent to the House of Representatives

By order of the Senate

S/ Felix Warley, Clerk