

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Fleming SC2775
Audited Account No. 2426

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State of South Carolina

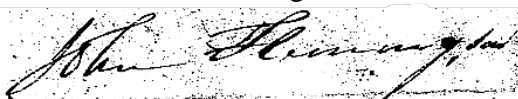
To the Honorable the Members of the Legislature of the said State

The Petition of John Fleming Senior Sheweth to your Honorable body that your Petitioner was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, that he served under the command of Colonel Joseph Taylor, and Captain Nathaniel Waller a three months tour in the year A.D. 1781 as the affidavit of James Godfrey herewith exhibited manifests –

Your Petitioner further begs leave to show that he is now between seventy & Eighty years of age, that he is poor, and [has] no possible means of support –

Your Petitioner therefore prays that he may be enrolled on the pension Roll, if to your Honorable body it seemeth meet,² & your Petitioner will ever pray

S/ John Fleming Senior



November 18, 1822

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South Carolina Kershaw District } Personally appeared Rawleigh Hammond³ before me Samuel B Hammond who after being duly Sworn upon the holy Evangelists of Almighty God & saith that he saw John Fleming Cntr. [Senior] in the Camps in the year 1780 as near as he can recollect serving as a Militia [man] under the same Captain of himself which was William Gillom [probably Captain William Gilliam of the Granville County North Carolina militia] this

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) 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. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

² In Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of 1755, the first definition of the word "meet" he gives is "Fit; proper...." Johnson noted that even at that time the word "meet" was rarely so used. It must have become fairly popular in South Carolina in the early 1800's, however, as it appears in many petitions submitted to the SC Legislature.

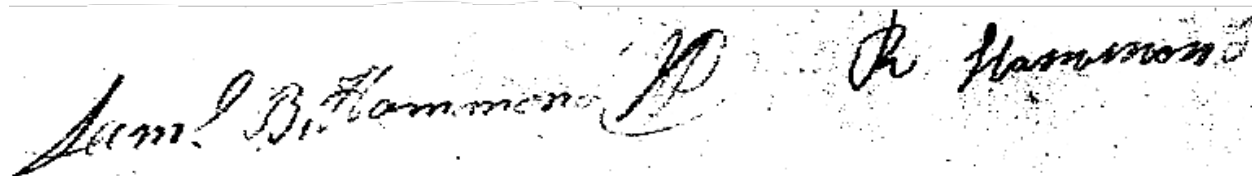
³ [Raleigh Hammond W11237](#)

Deponent Further saith on oath that he never heard any harm of the said John, but served as a good Soldier as far as he knows

Sworn to before me February 23rd 1822

S/ Samuel B Hammond, JP

S/ R. Hammond

Handwritten signatures of Samuel B. Hammond and R. Hammond in cursive script.

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County} Personally appeared before me John McCorkle one of the acting Justices force Said County James Godfrey and made oath that John Fleming Senior did Serve one three Months tower [tour] as a militia man in the revolutionary war in the year 81 under Nathaniel Waller⁴ Captain and Joseph Taylor Colonel Sworn to and subscribed to this 24 day of July 1822

S/ John McCorkle, JP

S/ James Godfrey

Handwritten signature of James Godfrey in cursive script.

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the Petition of John Fleming Senior praying to be placed on the Pension List Respectfully report,

Your Committee have examined the Claim, and for want of proper Vouchers to support the Same, Recommend to this house that the prayer thereof the not granted December 1822

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The State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the Speaker & Members of the House of Representatives of the State aforesaid

The humble petition of John Fleming Senior respectfully Sheweth, that he served in the Revolutionary War in defense of the Country in Several Companies. That he is now upwards of Eighty years old and in reduced to great Poverty & distress that owing to the death of a Number of his Compatriots he is [paper damaged and text missing] to procure certificates of all the time he served in the said War – That he also served and was present at the Capture of Fort Rugeley⁵ on Graneye Quarter [Grannies Quarter Creek] in this State.

He therefore hopes that from the circumstances of his extreme old age and poverty (having no property of any Value except a few Cooper's Tools and a few Shoemakers' Tools) that he may be placed on the Pension List, and [undeciphered word] Petitioner Will ever Pray

S/ John Fleming, Senior, X his mark

Test S/ [undeciphered signature]

⁴ Nathaniel Waller was a Captain in the Granville County North Carolina Regiment of militia under Colonel Joseph Taylor, also of the North Carolina militia.

⁵ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rugeley_mills_2.html

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State of South Carolina Lancaster District} Personally appeared before me L. Fleming 1 of the Justices assigned to keep the peace in said District Raleigh Hammon & being sworn as the law Directs he saith on oath to his knowledge that John Fleming Did serve one three months Tower of Duty with him in a campaign in the Revolutionary War under Colonel William Moore [of the Caswell County North Carolina militia] and Captain William Gilliam it being the time that Rugeley's Fort was taken on Granesquarter Creek [Grannies Quarter Creek] South Carolina

S/ Raleigh Hammon, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed to the 17th of November 1828

Before me

S/ Leonard Fleming, JP

South Carolina Lancaster District} Also personally appeared before me William Oyen [sic, William Owen or Owens]⁶ & being Duly sworn he saith on oath that he served with the above named John Fleming in the above mentioned 3 months Campaign & also that he has knowledge they both done Duty in this State

S/ William Oyen, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed to this

17th November 1828

Before me S/ Leonard Fleming, JP

South Carolina Lancaster District} Mr. John Fleming Senior also makes oath & saith that the above facts as stated by Raleigh Hammond & William Owen are stamped truly true to the best of his knowledge and recollection & that he did Serve in the place & during the time above stated – Sworn & subscribed this 21st November 1828

S/ John McKenzie, QU

S/ John Flemming, X his mark

[pp 43-44: Receipts beginning June 1, 1830 and ending May 31, 1832 indicate that John Fleming was placed on the South Carolina pension list and granted a pension at the rate of \$60 per annum.]

⁶ [William Owens S9450](#)