

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Gilispie (Gillespie) SC3131
Audited Account No. 2843

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The petition of John Gilispie praying to be placed on the pension list

Pensions

James A. Black

Report in favor

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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

Your Petitioner Sheweth that he was wounded by the Enemy Country at the Cherokee Ford of Savannah River a few days before the Battle of Kittle Creek [sic, Kettle Creek, February 14, 1779]² in the State of Georgia – and beg leave to State that the wounded he received was by a musket or rifle ball which broke one of his leg bones and after Languishing for more than a year he so far recovered as to be able to work for his living and that his wound though sometimes painful did not prevent him from working to maintain himself and family – until about two years since during which time it has become so inflamed and painful as to prevent his exertions to maintain a poor and helpless Family – his officers are all dead & removed long since and he is prevented from being able to produce such proof as he would otherwise have done but he refers your Honorable body to our Senator Joseph Black – and does hope that he will not be left to languish out the few days he may yet have to live in pain & poverty – with the additional mortification that he has been neglected by his country in his old age for which he shed his blood in his youth.

Copy

S/ John Gilispie

[p 12: the original of the above petition bearing the following signature:

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² Kettle Creek February 14, 1779 <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790214-kettle-creek/>

John Gillespie

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South Carolina Abbeville District } Personally came John Gillespie [sic] and being by me duly Sworn saith that he was wounded while fighting in the defense of this Country at the Cherokee Ford of Savannah River in Abbeville District a few days before the battle of Kettle Creek in the State of Georgia by a party of Tories Commanded by Colonel Boyd [James Boyd] the day and year be [sic, by] me now forgotten under then Captain Joseph Calhoun – the wound he received was by a Rifle or Musket ball which broke the bone of his left leg which afterwards healed up so as to Enable him to work for his living but now and for some time back the old wound has become inflamed and at times very painful and disables him from working to support his Helpless Family

Sworn to this 21 day of November 1826 before me

S/ Jos. Black, J. Q.

S/ John Gillespie

John Gillespie

[pp 15-21: The veteran was placed on the South Carolina pension list at the rate of \$60 per annum. The 1st receipt in the file is dated May 29, 1828 and the last receipt is dated June 4, 1834.]