

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Walter McCarter SC3314
Audited Account No. 4908

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[No. 553 Book R June 15th, 1785]

Mr. Walter McCarter is Account of Sundries for Militia use in 1779.

Amounting to £15.11.5 Stg [Sterling]

N:B: a Horse charged £72 [old South Carolina] Currency will £10.5.8 ½ Sterling included in said amount is not Certified

Ex^d. W. G. [Examined by William Galvan]

J. M^c. A. G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

The State of South Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to Walter McCarter
For services done Under Lieut. Jas. Martin [James Martin]
at Briar Creek 1779² for 37 Day at one Pound

per day

£37

for a Horse

72

Total

109

Sterling

£15.11.5

Sworn to [undeciphered word or words]

S/ [undeciphered Christian name] Tate, JP

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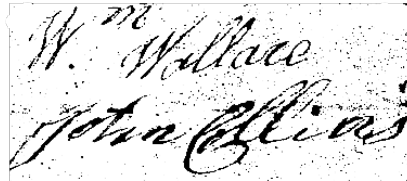
C. District} Appeared William Wallace and John Collins and Sworn Oath Declare That a certain Black Horse with a star on his face the property of Walter McCarter which he lost at Briar Creek Defeat they prized [sic, appraised] at £72.00.0 May ye 11 1783

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 March 3, 1779 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790304-briar-creek/>

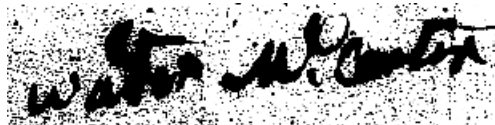
Sworn to May 10th 1783
S/ Wm Tate, JP

S/ Wm Wallace
S/ John Collin

Handwritten signatures of Wm Wallace and John Collin in cursive script.

South Carolina
Camden District} To Edward Blake and Peter Boquet Esquires Commissioners of the
Treasury of Publick Accounts – I do hereby impower Samuel Watson to Ask and Receive the
whole of my Indent Which is due to me from the publick and his Receipt shall be your discharge
for so doing from your friend and Humble Servant

S/ Walter McCarter

Handwritten signature of Walter McCarter in cursive script.

Signed and Acknowledged before me
this 4th Day of May 1785
S/ John Moffett, JP

[p 6: Printed form of Indent No. 553 Book R dated June 15th, 1785 in the amount of £5.5.8 ½
delivered to Mr. Walter McCarter.]

[p 7: Reverse of the above Indent bearing various endorsements but none by the veteran]

[p 8]
Petition of Walter McCarter praying for a pension & for compensation for property lost during
the Revolutionary War
Claims
Pensions
Granted

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To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina
The petition of Walter McCarter Sheweth that he was a soldier in the Revolution that he
was wounded in the knee at Ash's [Brigadier General John Ashe's] defeat at Briar Creek State of
Georgia whilst under command of Major Francis Ross who commanded the militia from York
District South Carolina, that he there lost his horse saddle bridle & blanket a good rifle gun,
surtout coat and Saddle bags with his clothing the whole worth upwards of a hundred dollars,
that his wound disabled him from attending to business for more than twelve months afterwards
and that since he has become old it frequently afflicts him very much. Your petitioner further
shows that he performed several other tours of duty and was in several skirmishes that he is now
very old viz. 77 years of age and infirm and very poor with five small children dependent on him

for support. Your petitioner therefore prays your Honorable Body to grant him a pension and such other and further relief as shall seem meet³ and your petitioner will ever pray.

York District November 28th 1828

S/ Walter McCarter



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South Carolina York District} Personally appeared Walter McCarter before me and made oath that the facts stated in the foregoing petition are true and that the following is a true and perfect inventory of his whole estate

a tract of poor land with a mortgage thereon for a sum within fifty or sixty dollars of its value	\$60.00
an old wagon worth	25.00
a Blind Horse worth	10.00
One bed & two Blankets worth	8.00
a Rifle gun worth	6.00
2 Tiles & calves worth	16.00

a bible & Testament 2 spelling books

An Oven, 2 pots, skillet, some plates, 2 knives

some plows – 2 cows and 2 shoats

this deponent further makes oath that he owes exclusive of the above mortgage \$100 or thereabouts

S/ Walter McCarter

Sworn to before me

November 28th, 1828

S/ J. M. Ross, QU

South Carolina

York District} Personally [appeared] Eleazer McCarter before me and made oath that he is well acquainted with Walter McCarter and lives his near neighbor and that he is satisfied that the above schedule contains his whole estate and he believes that it is not worth more than it is valued at in said schedule and this deponent further makes oath that from knowledge he is satisfied that the said Walter McCarter owes one hundred dollars or upwards exclusive of the above stated mortgage

Sworn before me

December 1st 1828

S/ JM Ross, QU

S/ Eleazer McCarter

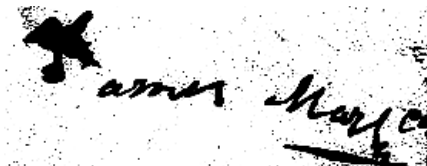


³ In Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of 1755, the first definition of the word "meet" he gives is "Fit; proper...." Johnson noted that even at that time the word "meet" was rarely so used. It must have become fairly popular in South Carolina in the early 1800's, however, as it appears in many petitions submitted to the SC Legislature.

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South Carolina York District } Personally Came Captain James Martin⁴ an officer in the Revolutionary War before me &c Being Duly Sworn Saith That Walter McCarter Served under him as a Common Soldier in the Year 1779 at Ashe's Defeat at Briar Creek and that said McCarter was Wounded in attempting his Escape at the said Defeat & this Deponent believes the said McCarter is Entitled to the provision made by Law for Disabled Soldiers Sworn the 24th day of October 1829 before me
S/ S. Turner, QU

S/ James Martin

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Martin". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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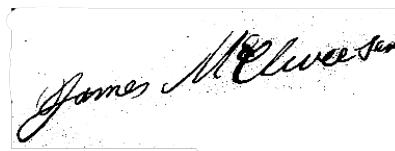
South Carolina York District

The within named James Martin further states that the said Walter McCarter was discharged from service on account of his disability or the injury received at Ashe's defeat, as being unable at that time to perform duty. Sworn to & Subscribed November 19, 1829
S/ J. M. Ross QU

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South Carolina York District } Personally Came James McElwee⁵ and being Duly Sworn S [sic, says] that Walter McCarter was in the Battle at Ashe's Defeat at Briar Creek in Georgia on the 3rd day of March 1779. Sworn to and subscribed this 3 day of December 1828
S/ Wm McElwee

S/ James McElwee Senr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James McElwee Senr.". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[p 15: another copy of the petition transcribed from page 9 in the file as set forth above]

[pp 20-21: receipts showing pension payments of \$60 per annum starting April 3, 1830 and ending May 31, 1833.]

⁴ [James Martin S9391](#)

⁵ [James McElwee W9553](#)