

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to David Jackson SC3361
Audited Account No.3968

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Petition of David Jackson

1795

November 23rd

Committee

Colonel Hill [probably William Hill]

Colonel Brown

Captain Willson

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To the Honorable the President and other the members of the Honorable Senate, the humble petition of David Jackson

Sheweth

That your Petitioner faithfully and honorably served the interest of this State during the late War as one of the militia, and that at the defeat of Brigadier General Sumter [Thomas Sumter] [Battle of Fishing Creek, August 18, 1780]² near fishing Creek in the year 1780, he was so wounded, as to be left for dead upon the field of battle: having his scull [skull] fractured and losing thereby the use of his arm – That the same principles of patriotism which led him as a volunteer into the field, directed him not to apply to his country for relief or assistance, as long as by his personal labors, he was able to support himself, wife and ten children.

That by a course of years and infirmities attendant thereon, he is disabled from affording his family that relief which he has hereto done; and therefore he throws himself upon the goodness of this Honorable House, hoping that from his past services, they will be so good as to grant some relief to him; and to assist the age of the man, whose [undeciphered word] of life have been devoted to the service of his country

And your Petitioner will pray

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² https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_fishing_creek.html

David Jackson

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To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives – The
Petition of David Jackson humbly Sheweth

That your petitioner at the time General Sumter was defeated was Sorely wounded & left
on the ground expecting to have been dead, & altho' that he recovered and has since been able
until a few years past to maintain his family by difficult industry, yet having grown old and now
feeling his wounds to affect him in search of manner as at this time rendering him unable to
support the same which consist of a Wife & a number of small children.

Your Petitioner therefore hopes you will Honorable body will take his case under your
serious consideration & Grant him such relief as in your Wisdom you may think meet³ & your
Petitioner will ever pray.

S/ David Jackson

David Jackson

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To the Honorable the President of the Synod of South Carolina
The Petition of David Jackson Humbly Sheweth

That whereas in the year 1780 your Petitioner at General Sumter's Defeat was Grievously
Wounded which in his old age renders him incapable of obtaining a livelihood by Servile [Civil]
Labour –

and by Several applications to Your Honorable Body by Petition and without any Satisfaction for
recourse [?] unknown to me – Your Petitioner therefore
Prayeth the relief allowed by Law –
And your Petitioner will ever pray

S/ David Jackson

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Petition of David Jackson

1798

7th December

Committee on Pensions

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1798

David Jackson Petition

Committee Pensions

Mr. Lehre

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.

not granted

[p 30: repeat of the petition transcribed from page 27 above except this 1 is addressed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives]