

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Charles Lehoux SC34

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Audited Account No. 4509 ½

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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina &
The humble Petition of Charles Lehoux French of Nation and Ancient Captain of Sea
humbly Represent

That by the effect of his Zeal for the Americans in the year 1777 he came in this State
with a Schooner by which he Brought here a Considerable Cargo of merchandise

That the said Cargo having been Sold he sent at Sea from this part his said Schooner for
to Guard, Fitch more Suply [Supplies] again for this place but his said vessel was taken by the
Englishs [sic]

That this Geal [sic] grat [sic] Loss of your petitioner was unhappily increased by the
depreciation of the papers Money and to such a degree that your petitioner has never been able
since to Relieve himself

Never the less your Petitioner did not lose his Zeal for your Cause or Strunggle [Struggle]
but he accompanied you in the two Last Siege of Charles ton [Charleston] and he can boast
himself to have given the first fire of Cannon against the Fort that Clainton [Sir Henry Clinton]
had ericised [erected] in the North of this City So as he Can produce credible witness

Finally your petitioner having been made a prisoner at the Surrendering of this place
[Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] and been obliged to be Carried to
north wards for his exchange and from this last disturbance having been totally cast out and
ruined he throw himself in the arms of your Tenderness and Commiseration imploring your
Services for to help him to Relieve from the burden of distress and mesery [misery] by any
means in your power for the said Purposes –

Your [indecipherable word] honorables Gentlemen and fathers of the people with the
thanks fully acknowledged and your Petitioner by Duty bound to you will ever Pray

S/ Charles Lehoux



Charles ton february
the 15, 1785

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. The file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

To the Honorable John Lloyd President [text too faint to discern] South Carolina

The petition of Charles LaHoux [sic] of the City of Charleston –
Humbly Sheweth – That your petitioner have been Resident of this State ten years and during the War Contributed as much as in his power to the defense of this City during the Siege. That on the Capitulation your petitioner was confined in the [text too faint to discern] he suffered great hardships.

That your petitioner on his arrival in this State was Master of a Schooner in part laden with ammunition and in part with dry goods, all which he disposed of to the public for the paper money of this State then in Currency – That by the depreciation seventy-five thousand Dollars (the amount of said Cargo) was reduced to a very small value.

That your petitioner being in a State of distress and unable from his Age and Infirmities to support himself by manual labor, hath been under a necessity of becoming a Keeper of a Billiard Table as the only resource now left him in the close of his days to prevent him from being a public burden begging in the Streets or from starving. That under the laws of the Corporation your petitioner is subject to a Tax of £50 yearly which with the same annually payable by your petitioner for his hire of said Table, are insufficient to provide the Common Necessaries of Life, will [undeciphered word] your Petitioner's hands.

Your petitioner (in consideration of the heavy loss he sustained, his infirmities, his age and inability to Earn his Support by any sort of [undeciphered text] said tax in favor of your petitioner.

And he will in duty bound Pray
S/ Charles Lehoux