

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to James Hunter SC3823
Audited Account No. 3886

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The petition of James Hunter praying for a pension
Pensions
Granted
N. Barber

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State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the Members of the Legislature –

The Petition of James Hunter Sheweth to your Honorable body, that he is one of those that lived & Served in the Revolutionary War, He Voluntarily Joined Gen. Marion [Francis Marion] in this officer was in the low-Country. Marion's head Quarters were then on a little Creek called Watboo [sic, Wadboo] not far from Charleston. Whilst with Marion there was but one Skirmish & that was with the Negro Dragoons, sent out by the British, in which one was only taken prisoner, one killed & the rest fled from the heavy fire kept up by Marion's men. Your petitioner's service with Marion was in the fall & winter but don't recollect what year, After the Service aforesaid with Gen. Marion, your Petitioner Joined a Company of horse Men, then under the Command of Capt. Jackson [presumably Stephen Jackson of the Upper Craven County Regiment] (commonly called killing Steve from his having killed a great many men in the war) this Officer continued to move about in the neighborhood of Thompson's Creek in Chesterfield District to keep down the Tories & the British that had got scartered [scattered?] off in that quarter. The Tories especially were numerous & had done a good deal of mischief in the neighborhood. There were but few Whigs any where about & the Tories could plunder & ravage the Country without opposition until Capt. Jackson [&] his troop got among them.

Your Petitioner was a good friend of his Country during the war although he was not more than 14 or 15 years of Age when he joined Gen. Marion and afterwards Served to the end

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of the War with Capt. Jackson. Your petitioner had a regular discharge from Gen. Marion but about 35 years ago he got [paper damaged and text obliterated]...use [house] burned down & with it his discharge was burned & everything which your Petitioner head.

Your Petitioner is now about 71 years of age is poor & has two daughters of a family that lives with him.

Your Petitioner is also sorely afflicted with the Rheumatism which renders him more unable to labor, than his old age,

Your Petitioner prays that he may be enrolled as a pensioner & allowed the pay that pensioners usually get.

Witness

S/ M. Clinton

S/ Jas. Hunter, X his mark

the following is a Schedule of the whole estate of James Hunter – Viz. – my wearing apparel, 1 axe, 2 hoes

the above Schedule was sworn to before me this 10th of October 1829

S/ James Hunter, X his mark

S/ Samuel Funderburk, JQ

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South Carolina Lancaster District }

Peter Aarant [sic, Peter Arrant]² came before me & States on Oath that he was acquainted with the Petitioner James Hunter in the revolutionary war, that he was a good Whig & done duty as such under Gen. Marion as he has stated in his petition – for this deponent served under Marion at the same time. This deponent has no reason to doubt any fact in the petition.

Sworn to before me this 10th October 1829

S/ Samuel Funderburk, JQ

S/ Peter Aarant, P his mark

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We whose names are hereto Subscribed do certify that James Hunter is a poor man as is represented in his Schedule, that he is honest & is afflicted with the rheumatism as he has stated – He has two daughters that are single & lives with him, they have nothing to live upon only as they work for it –

We recommend to the Legislature to place him on the pension Roll

Samuel Funderburk

John Robeson

William Welch, X his mark

Abel Whitaker

William Welch, Junior, X his mark

Peter Aarant, P his mark

Henry Dickens

Nathan Funderburk

John Funderburk

Henry Belk, X his mark

Jacob Funderburk Junior

Jacob Funderburk

Thomas Funderburk

Ezekiel Chester, X his mark

Jesse Williams

Titus Laney

² [Peter Arrant S17824](#)

Uriah Funderburk
Elijah Laney
James Hare

[pp 12-14: Vouchers indicating payment of a pension of \$60 per annum with the 1st voucher being dated 1 June 1830 and the last voucher being dated 2nd June 1848 in the amount of \$90 as annuities of James Hunter and Sarah Bell]

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The Petition of M. A. Durden, Praying to be reimbursed the burial expenses of James Hunter deceased a pensioner of the state

Claims

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To the Honorable the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

Your Petitioner M. A. Durden respectfully Sheweth your Honorable body – That James Hunter who was a Revolutionary Soldier & a pensioner of the State of South Carolina, residing in the District of Lancaster departed this life on the 26th day of May 1849 in a helpless & destitute condition – That the said James Hunter was a very poor man without any other means of support & maintenance but his pension of \$60 per annum which had been taken up consumed by him at the time of his death and that at the time of his death he was entirely destitute of almost anything, in a most wretchedly bad condition, destitute of even clothes necessary for his comfort, that his family relations are very poor & destitute & were altogether unable to assist him.

Your Petitioner states that being a near neighbor of said James Hunter & knowing his destitution & the inability of his family to shroud & bury him he at his own cost & expense purchased clothes for his burial, had his coffin made & had him decently buried.

Your petitioner is a poor man himself with a large family dependent upon him, & he submits that he ought to be reimbursed his reasonable expenses incurred by him about the burial, amounting to Thirty Dollars, Your petitioner states that said James Hunter was in a most filthy & loathsome state, that he washed him himself & dressed & buried him decently & being a revolutionary soldier having rendered service to his country when his services were needed Your Petitioner thinks that a good conscience he should be paid for the expenses & his trouble = all of which is respectfully submitted

S/ M. A. Durden

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. A. Durden', written over a faint rectangular stamp or seal.

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We concur in the Petition of Mr. A. Durden believe the facts to be correctly stated & respectfully ask that he be reimbursed his expenses of Thirty Dollars which we regard to be reasonable.

J R Wilsh	Edward [undeciphered]
A S Mcateer	Uriah Snipes
C. F. Heinson	Samuel [undeciphered]
A. R. Price Clerk	John T Copeland
James Adams	William Fail

Hugh Knight
Lewis Hail
John Massey
Wm M. [Undeciphered]
J. H. Haile
R. Phillips
Nathan Fail
James [undeciphered]

Nathaniel Cook
John Funderburk
Thomas [undeciphered]
[undeciphered]
Joel Otron
Hugh [undeciphered]

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To the Honorable Senate & House of Representatives South Carolina – The petition of Titus Laney Sheweth that James Hunter a revolutionary pensioner of this State died the 27 May 1849, That he left estate except the Two Months & 26 days arrears of pension due him from the state, that the said James Hunter died on the farm of your petitioner & was supported & furnished with the necessities of life by your petitioner. He prays that the arrears of pension due may be paid him, as it is small & will not Justify an administration of his Estate.

Your petitioner will pay the same to a poor daughter of the said James Hunter who took care of him in his last illness & he will ever pray.

S/ Titus Laney

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Titus Laney". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper background. The signature is enclosed within a thin, irregular rectangular border.

November 26, 1849
Sworn to Before me
J. Williams, Mag.

[p 21: Report of the committee on claims in the House of Representatives reporting that their recommendation is the petition for burial expenses be rejected.]

[p 25: Report of the committee on claims for the House of Representatives recommending that the petitioner for reimbursement of burial expenses be allowed the sum of \$30.]

[p 27: report of the Special Committee of the Senate recommending that the petition for burial expenses be granted but in the amount of \$10.]

[Note: it cannot be determined from the documents in this file whether or not any amount was paid to the petitioner seeking reimbursement for burial expenses.]