

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Hicks SC3848
Audited Account No. 3586

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23rd June 85 [1785]

Mr. John Hicks his Account of Militia Duty as Private since the reduction of Charlestown
[Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency £116.15/

Stg. [Sterling] £16.13.6 ³/₄

Ex^d. W.R. [Examined by W. R. [identity unknown]]

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

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State South Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to John Hicks

for Duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return [not extant]

£116.15/

Stg. £16.13.6 ³/₄

Received 23 June 1785 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full Satisfaction for the within
in an Indent No. 370 1T

S/ And. Williams [?]



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South Carolina

To the Honorable the Speaker, and members of the House of Representatives

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The petition of John Hicks Humbly Sheweth that your petitioner enlisted in the Service of the State, early in the Revolutionary War, and Served more than Seven years, that he was in the battle of Black Stock's [Blackstock's, November 20, 1780],² under the Command of Col. Sumpter [Thomas Sumter], in the Battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780]³ under the command of Colonels Campbell [William Campbell of Virginia] & Williams [James Williams of the Little River Regiment of South Carolina militia] in the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781],⁴ under the command of General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & Col. Pickens [Andrew Pickens], and in many other engagements of less importance, in all of which he discharged his duty as a Soldier to the Satisfaction of his commanding Officers, that during this Service your petitioner received Several wounds, particularly one in the Leg from a ball in the battle of Kings Mountain – and your petitioner further Sheweth that he was regularly discharged at the close of the War, but his papers have long since been lost or destroyed. That although poor he made out to support himself by his labor until within a few years – that he is now nearly Seventy years of age, and finds from the effect of old age, and the wounds and Hardships experienced in his youth, that his Strength and constitution is gone, and that he is no longer able to procure the comforts or even many of the necessarys of life by his own labor, on which himself as well as his aged wife are entirely dependent.

Your petitioner therefore prays that your Honorable body would take his case into, consideration, and place him on the Pension list, if it Should appear upon investigation that he is entitled to that relief.

And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray – 28th September 1825
S/ John Hicks, X his mark

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the Petition of John Hicks praying to be placed on the Pension List

Respectfully Report

That having taken the same into Consideration, recommend to this house that the prayer thereof be granted and the said John Hicks be placed on the Pension [list] from and after the Session of this Legislature December 1825

S/ Wm Rouse C. of Comt. [Chairman of the Committee]

[p 9: Receipts indicating payment to the veteran of \$60 per annum with the 1st receipt in this file being dated May 23, 1829]

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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate

The humble petition of Sarah Hicks begs leave to show that she is the widow of John Hicks late of Barnwell District – who was enrolled on the Pension list of this State – that the said John Hicks died several years ago which your honorable body will procure by the suspension of his Pension leaving your petitioner in indigent circumstances that she is now about eighty two years old; Since the death of her husband John Hicks she has been thrown on the charity of her widowed daughter who is poor and has four orphan children to support. Therefore she begs that

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

³ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_kings_mountain.html

⁴ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_cowpens.html

she may be placed on the Pension list as the widows of other pensioners & she further begs leave to state to your honorable body that the substance of her departed husband together with her own was spent in establishing the liberty we now enjoy

& your petitioner will ever pray &c

S/ Sarah Hicks, X her mark

Test

S/ James C Humphreys

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South Carolina Barnwell District} Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace Sarah Hicks who after be [sic, being] sworn Saith that what is set forth in the within petition is strictly true.

Sworn to before me

this 13 November 1841

S/ Benjamin R Stone, Magistrate

S/ Sarah Hicks, X her mark

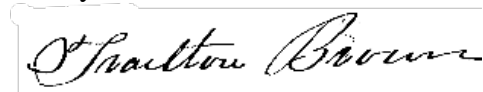
[p 14 Temperance Long gave testimony on November 15, 1841 in Beaufort District South Carolina that she was present and saw John and Sarah Hicks married. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

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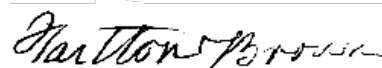
State of South Carolina Barnwell District} Appeared personally before me W. H. Peyton a Magistrate for Barnwell District & in the State aforesaid Tarlton Brown and made oath that he was personally acquainted with John Hicks and Sarah Hicks wife of the said John Hicks for fifty years until the death of John Hicks almost eight years since that he believes the said Sarah Hicks is still alive they were always considered by him and the neighborhood in [which] they lived as man and wife and further he never heard any objection to their being lawfully married the said John Hicks was with him during the war of the revolution and served as a private in his company. He further believes that the said John Hicks has been receiving pay from the State for his Revolutionary services.

18 day of November 1841

S/ Tarlton Brown



[signature on p 15]



[signature on p 20]

S/ W. H. Peyton, Magistrate [attested to both affidavits]

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State of South Carolina Barnwell District

The humble petition of Frances Reeves widow Sheweth to your Honorable Body that she is the daughter of Sarah Hicks pensioner of the District & State aforesaid & that her Mother Sarah Hicks did reside with your petitioner many years previously to her death & was residing with her at the time of her death & will petitioner further Sheweth that she is in indigent circumstances & has a large family of helpless children entirely dependent on her for support, Therefore your petitioner prays with your Honorable Body to grant her the arrearage Pension of her Mother Sarah Hicks for which a certificate was issued at the Treasurer's Office last December which your Honorable Body may perceive by the certificate hereunto annexed, &

your Petitioner further Sheweth that her Mother Sarah Hicks died before the Tax Collector paid it over, Therefore your petitioner prays your Honorable Body to take the same into consideration & Grant her the amount of the Certificate & she will as in duty bound ever pray

S/ Frances E. Reaves [Frances E. Reeves?]

Frances E. Reaves

[Note: As best I can tell, the legislature approved the petition and the daughter of Sarah Hicks received the \$30 due her mother at the time of her death.]