

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Hillhouse SC3871  
Audited Account No. 3618

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' or 'undeciphered' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention. Researchers should not rely solely on the transcripts but should review the originals for themselves. These transcripts are intended as an aid to research, not to be used in lieu thereof.]

[Note: Unfortunately, except as transcribed below, the images of the documents posted online are illegible. This veteran filed a petition with the South Carolina Legislature seeking to be placed on the pension list as a soldier in the Revolutionary war. The prayer of the petition was granted and the veteran placed on the South Carolina pension list at the rate of \$60 per annum. There is an earlier receipt but the first legible receipt is dated May 28, 1829. The last receipt is dated May 30<sup>th</sup> 1833. The petition is illegible as posted online. If anyone has a legible copy of the petition and is willing to share it with me, I will transcribe it and post it with this database.]

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I Certify that John Hillhouse did forty days Duty as a Horseman & forty five days Duty as foot under my Command

January 31<sup>st</sup> 1788[?] [last 2 digits unclear]

S/ W. Bratton Colo. [William Bratton]

The image shows a handwritten certificate of service. The text is written in cursive and matches the typed transcription above. It certifies that John Hillhouse served 40 days as a horseman and 45 days as a foot soldier under the command of William Bratton. The date is given as January 31, 1788. The signature of William Bratton is visible at the bottom right.

[Note: Evidently when Bobby Gilmer Moss reviewed this file he was able to extract some information from it. The following is his description of this veteran's service:

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

*Hillhouse, John*

*He first served, while residing in York County, under Colonel Thomas Neel on the Cherokee Expedition.<sup>2</sup> Thereafter, he was drafted for a three year tour and was placed under Col. Bratton and Gen. Sumter [Thomas Sumter] as commander of an infantry company. At Sumter's Defeat,<sup>3</sup> he lost a rifle, saddle bags, coat and other items. A. A. 3618*

Bobby Gilmer Moss. *Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution*. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1983, p 447.

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<sup>2</sup> August 1, 1776 through November 1, 1776

[https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_cherokee\\_expedition\\_1776.html](https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html)

<sup>3</sup> Battle of Fishing Creek, August 18, 1780

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