

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Thomas Hopkins SC4005
Audited Account No. 3751B

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Thomas Hopkins' Petition for Pension
J P Crockell
On Roll
Pens.

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South Carolina
Lancaster District }

To the Honorable the Senate, and House of Representatives –

The humble Petition of Thomas Hopkins

Sheweth that he was a soldier of the revolution, that he enlisted in the year 1780 and Served two years & 6 months in the State of South Carolina, under General Green [Nathanael Greene], Decalb [Baron Johan DeKalb], & Smallwood [William Smallwood] & ~~Gates~~ [Horatio Gates] was at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780], Battle of Camden,² at the taking of Fort Thompson [February 22, 1781],³ Fort Friday [Friday's Ferry, May 1, 1781],⁴ at the Siege of 96 [May 21-June 19, 1781]⁵ & at Eautaw Springs [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781].⁶ That he is now Seventy four years of age and very infirm, and poor, so much so that the Commissioners of the Poor of the District have had to take his case into consideration and assist him, in order to keep him from sufferance –

Therefore he Petitions your Honorable Body to Grant him an annuity such as shall Seem proper to your Honorable Body – and your petitioner will ever pray – 10 November 1836

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

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

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

⁵ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html

⁶ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

Wit. [Witness] S/ S. Beckham

S/ Thomas Hopkins, X his mark

South Carolina Lancaster District} Personally appeared Thomas Hopkins (the above applicant) and says on Oath that he has applied to the United States for a pension under the Act of Congress of 1832 and failed in getting on the pension list in consequence of not being able to prove his service by living witnesses.

Sworn to and subscribed

before me 10 November 1836

S/ S Beckham, Q U Ex officio & Clerk Ct.

S/ Thomas Hopkins, X his mark

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We the Undersigned neighbors and acquaintances of Thomas Hopkins do hereby certify that he is looked on in the neighborhood where he lives as having been true to his Country and we concur in that Opinion – and believe that unless he gets some assistance he must suffer for the necessaries of life.

10 November 1836

S/ Wm Williams

S/ ? Coby

S/ Henry P Price

S/ John Adams

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The Report of the committee on pensions on the several reports of the House of Representatives referred to them –

Agreed to in Senate

11 December 1824

S/ W. D??

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the several Reports⁷ of the committee on pensions of the House of Representatives on the petitions of Thomas Hopkins, Nathaniel Clark, James Huey, Francis Mothershead, James Kirkpatrick, James Falkner, John Brownlow, Gorge Bell [George Bell?], Thomas Hamelton [Thomas Hamilton?] and Daniel Beaver

Report that they have had the several reports and petitions under their consideration and recommend that the Senate do concur with the House of Representatives on the several reports above named

S/ E. Benbow Chairman

[Note: They are all vouchers commencing June 15, 1825 and ending May 29, 1834 indicating that an annuity of \$60 per annum was paid to Thomas Hopkins during that period.]

⁷ those reports are not contained among the documents in this file