

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Williams SC41
Audited Account No. 8578

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The State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the President and the Members of the Senate – The petition of William Williams of the State aforesaid and District of Union. Humbly Sheweth that your petitioner entered in the service of his Country at an early period of his life in the late revolution between the United States and Great Britain. That on or about the __ day of February in the year of our Lord __ he your Petitioner was unfortunately and desperately wounded with a Saber in various parts of his body he head and arms at the Memorable Battle at the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] where General Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] has defeated by which wounds he has in a great degree been disabled from procuring support by labour as he has lost entirely the use of one hand and arm that on or about the __ year of our Lord __ he your Petitioner was placed on the list of pensioners by the Legislature of this State aforesaid and a pension of Five Pounds allowed him annually in consideration sufficient for his support – But owing to his advanced time of life and the disability as herein stated he being now 69 years of age – the said sum of Five Pounds has become Quite insufficient for his maintenance in any manner whatever. He therefore prays that your Honorable Body would take his case into consideration and grant him such further and additional relief as may in your wisdom be sufficient an old maimed and helpless Soldier and he as in duty bound will ever pray

S/ Wm Williams

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Report that they have taken the same into consideration and are of opinion his pension ought not to be increased, and recommend him to apply to the Commissioners of the poor of his district.

S/ John Hopkins

Chairman Committee Pensions

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 "SC" file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

² This file contains a number of documents relating to several different veterans named William Williams. The page numbers refer to documents which I believe to be unique to this particular veteran.