

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to William Hughes SC4109  
Audited Account No. 3863

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To the Honorable the Speaker & other Members of the House of Representatives  
The humble petition of William Hughes respectfully Sheweth: That your petitioner who is a citizen of this State enlisted during the Revolutionary War, in this State, & served afterwards for twenty months in the State of Georgia in Captain John [undeciphered name]<sup>2</sup> Company of Georgia Minutemen, that his enlistment was for the term of three years, but the Regiment to which the said Company was attached was dissolved at the expiration of the twenty months & your petitioner was discharged –

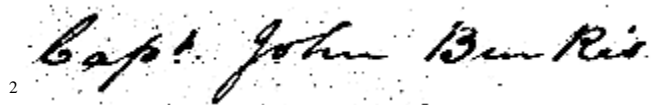
Your petitioner further Sheweth: That he has not received any part of the pay to which he was entitled for his services except the Sum of ten dollars, & that after he was discharged he volunteered his services in this State & was present at the Battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781],<sup>3</sup> & also at the battle of Stono [Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779],<sup>4</sup> & at several skirmishes with the Enemy.

Your petitioner further begs leave to state to your Honorable Body that he is now upwards of seventy years of age, a very poor aged & infirm man, & wholly unable to do anything by which he can comfortably support himself, that his family consist principally of females, who are some of them his grandchildren, & of too tender an age to contribute to his support. He therefore prays that your Honorable Body would take his petition with the vouchers accompanying it, into your serious consideration, & grant him some compensation for his services or such other & further relief as to your Honorable House shall seem meet<sup>5</sup> & your petitioner will pray

S/ William Hughes, X his mark

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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.



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<sup>3</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_eutaw\\_springs.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html)

<sup>4</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_stono\\_ferry.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html)

<sup>5</sup> In Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of 1755, the first definition of the word "meet" he gives is "Fit; proper...." Johnson noted that even at that time the word "meet" was rarely so used. It must have become fairly popular in South Carolina in the early 1800's, however, as it appears in many petitions submitted to the SC Legislature.

[Note: There are a number of pages in this file which are illegible as posted online.]

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State of South Carolina Pendleton District} This Day personally came before me Samuel Looper one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace Benjamin Nabours [sic]<sup>6</sup> and after being sworn saith on his oath that he was in the militia service with William Huse [sic] in the campaign in the Florida Expedition<sup>7</sup> under the command of General Andrew Williamson and Colonel McCrary [probably Robert McCreery] and Captain Doogin [probably Thomas Duggin] and Lieutenant Casy [Levi Casey]

Sworn to and Subscribed this 16 day of October 1826

S/ Samuel Looper, JP

S/ Benjamin Nabours, X his mark

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of William Hughes, a soldier of the Revolution, praying a pension,

Respectfully report,

That they have had the same under consideration and recommend to this House that the prayer of the petitioner be granted and that the said William Hughs [sic] be allowed a pension

December 1826

S/ John McComb, Chairman

[Note: Vouchers in the file indicate that the veteran was paid a pension of \$60 per annum with the first such voucher being dated May 29, 1828 and the last being dated June 4, 1834.]

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<sup>6</sup> [Benjamin Neighbors S19000](#)

<sup>7</sup> Third Florida expedition: Spring 1778 [Robert Howe, Commanding Officer]  
<https://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/articles/history-archaeology/revolutionary-war-georgia#Three-Invasions-of-Florida>