

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William McMahan [McMahan] SC4652 pp 10
Audited Account No. 5130

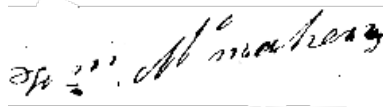
Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves

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[p 2: The cover sheet for this claim is illegible as posted online. However on page 5 of this file is the printed form of Indent No. 288 Book P dated April 19, 1785 "delivered to Mr. William McMahan [sic] this our INDENTED CERTIFICATE for the sum of Seventy eight Pounds five Shillings Sterling for Militia duty & Sundries in 1780, 1781 and 1782 per Account Audited."]

Rec'd 19th April 1785 full Satisfaction for the Within in an Indent No. 288 Book P
S/ Wm McMahan



[p 3: Partially legible statement of the veteran's claim which to the best of my ability indicates that he served in the militia under Capt. Freeman² in 1780 & __ for which he was given £16 old South Carolina Currency; also for duty per Col. Robert Anderson's return [not extant] amounting to £423.15 old Currency; 22 days Waggoning service at 4 pounds per day for which he was given £88 old Currency; and for 400 pounds of flour at £5 per hundred for which he was given £20 old Currency for a total of £547.15 old South Carolina Currency or Sterling £78.5]

[p 4]

By order of Colonel Robert Anderson to William McMahan Liut. Gave 400 lb of flower for the use of the publick the 15th of July 1782

South Carolina

Ninety Six District William McMahan personally Appeared before me one of the Justices for said District And maketh oath that he Launched out the above mentioned flower and never received Any value for it Sworn before me this 16 of July 1783

¹ 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.

² Either Joseph Freeman of the Fairfield Regiment or William Freeman of the Upper Ninety Six District Regiment

S/ Wm McMahan
S/ John Moore, JP

I do Certify that the above flower was furnished for the last expedition to the Cherokee nation under the command of General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] for which he Received no pay Certified the 16th of July 1783 by

S/ John Irwin Capt.



[p 6: Reverse of the Indent No. 288 Book P bearing, among others, and endorsement by the veteran.]

[p 7]

William McMachen [sic] being Duly Sworn Declareth that he Lost one mear [mare] And Bell In the publick Service under the command of Col. Pickens at a place called Stoneoak [Stono Ferry?, June 20, 1779]³

He being duly sworn do Valued the same to £650.00.00

S/ William McMahan

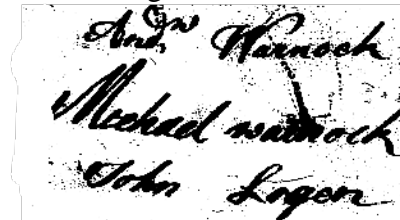
Sworn before me this 30th day of July 1779

S/ John Irwin JP

S/ Andrew Warnock

S/ Michael Warnock

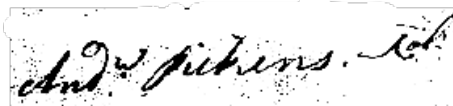
S/ John Logen



William McMahan [sic] was ordered out on horseback and believes he Lost the above mentioned mare in the Service of the State

Certified ye 11th December 1779

S/ Andrew Pickens Col.



[p 7: Voucher dated 1819 indicating that a William McMahan was paid \$60 on an account of the late war.]

[p 9: undated petition]

To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

The petition of Major John Calhoun most humbly Sheweth that your petitioner purchased a publick account of a William McMahan for seventy seven pounds seventeen shillings or

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

thereabouts which was due to said McMahan for services done in the late war and your petitioner made application at the Treasury office for his Indent but found that it was previously drawn out of the office by some person not known to your petitioner by a counterfeit order. – Your petitioner likewise purchased a publick account from Isack Mitchel [Isaac Mitchell] for 90 Bushels of Corn which he the said Mitchel furnished the Army with while laying Siege to Ninety Six – at three Shillings and six pence per Bushel And your petitioner having duly served his country through the course of the last war Received a number of wounds particularly that ingadgement [engagement] now known by Tarleton’s defeate [Battle of Cowpens]:⁴ your petitioner was disabled and was obliged to imploy persons to attend on him to whom your petitioner paid tenn pounds for which your petitioner never received any compensation and has receipts to show your Honors for the payment of the Same Nor has your petitioner ever received, any thing for the above stated Publick accounts which now lyes dormant in his hands Now your petitioner prays your Honorable body to take his case into consideration and grant him such relief as you and your wisdom shall see Meet.⁵

And your petitioner will ever pray

S/ John Calhoun⁶

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Calhoun". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper background.

⁴ January 17, 1781 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_cowpens.html

⁵ 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.

⁶ [John Calhoun W9777](#)