

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Watson SC4703  
Audited Account No. 8264

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[Note: This claimant does not include a claim for military service. The provisions for which the claimant seeks reimbursement, however, resulted in a receipt or receipts which contain important information as to troop movements, locations and/or timing. Although its failure to include a claim for military service would ordinarily exclude this claim from inclusion in this database, it is thought that the information contained in one or more receipts is worthy of inclusion in our database.]

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John Watson for the amount of House is Burnt by order of Governor Rutledge [John Rutledge]  
May 10<sup>th</sup> 1779 and appraised at

[old South Carolina] Currency	<u>£3322.7.6</u>
Stg. [Sterling	£474.12.6

Received the Evaluation & Certificate of Governor Rutledge's within  
Ex<sup>d</sup>. J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by] John McCall, Adjutant General]  
Referred to Congress  
S/ ED

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The State of South Carolina to John Watson  
1779  
May 10<sup>th</sup>

Dr.

The amount of Value of Houses Burnt  
by the Order of Governor Rutledge and  
the Privy Council when Genl. Prevost [Augustine Prevost] and  
the British Troops under his Command

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was Marching forward Charleston

Currency £3322.7.6

Stg. £474.12.6, but at present would be £632.16/8

Whe [sic, We] the subscribers being appointed to measure & value the above buildings do find the value thereof to [be] as it is stated above

S/ Stephen Shrewsbury

S/ Samuel McCorkel

*Stephen Shrewsbury*  
*Samuel McCorkel*

Charleston district

The justness of the above Account duly attested to before me & no Part thereof have been received

Sworn a June 1786 S/ J. McCall, JP

S/ John Watson

*John Watson*

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I do hereby certify that in May 1779 on General Prevost's Approach<sup>2</sup> towards this Town orders were given by the Governor with Advice of the Privy Council for burning Mr. Walter's [?] and Dr. Savage's [?] & Some other Houses on Charleston-Neck near the Town & they were accordingly burnt.

S/ J. Rutledge

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*J. Rutledge*

<sup>2</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_prevosts\\_march\\_1779.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_prevosts_march_1779.html)