

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to James Watt SC583
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To the Honorable the Members of the Senate & House of Representatives of South Carolina.

The Petition of the undersigned Jinny Watt respectfully shews that she is the Widow of James Watt formerly of Abbeville late of Pendleton District, that she is now in old age and straightened Circumstances, having attained Seventy-two years and her family of Children having left her, a Schedule of her property with its probable Value which does not exceed in all to One Hundred & fifty Dollars ___ Cents as hereto appended [the schedule is not contained in this file].

In Consideration of the services of her deceased Husband during the revolutionary War having rendered active service from time to time throughout the revolutionary struggle in the cause of American Independence principally under the Command of Captain Andrew Pickens, Captain Thomas Weems and Captain William Strain and afterwards under Colonel and General Pickens – and in consideration of her own necessitous condition being a cripple and very much afflicted with the rheumatism which renders her quite unable to do anything for a Support, she respectfully Solicits the assistance of her country.

S/ Jinny Watt, X her mark

South Carolina Anderson District } Personally came Jinny Watt before me one of the acting Justices of said District and made oath that the above is just & true.

Sworn to before me

S/ Archibald Simpson, JP

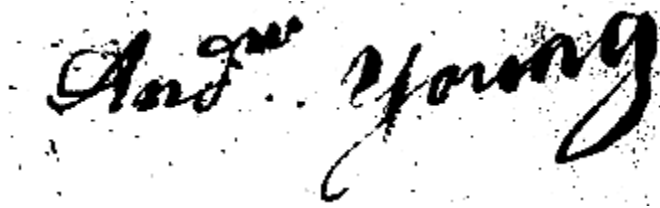
S/ Jinny Watt, X her mark

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So. Carolina Anderson District } Personally came Andrew Young before me one of the acting Justices of said District and being duly sworn on oath saith that he is knowing to the Services of James Watt formerly of Abbeville late of Pendleton District during the War of the revolution and that he the said James Watt served principally under Captain Andrew Pickens, Captain Thomas Weems and Captain William Strain and afterwards Colonel and General Pickens, and that the

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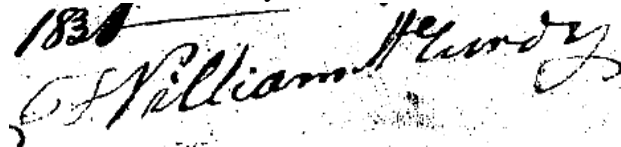
said James Watt did render active service throughout the struggle in the Cause of American Independence . Sworn to before me this 21st of October 1831
S/ Archibald Simpson, JP S/ Andw. Young²



So. Carolina Anderson District} Personally came William McCurdy before me one of the acting Justices of said District and being sworn saith on oath that he is knowing to the services of James Watt formerly of Abbeville late of Pendleton District during the revolutionary War and that he served principally under the Command of Captain Andrew Pickens, Captain Thomas Weems and Captain William Strain and afterwards Colonel and General Pickens, said deponent further saith that he is Conscious that the said James Watt did render active service throughout the struggle of American Independence

Sworn to before me this __ of __ 1831
S/ Archibald Simpson, JP

S/ William McCurdy



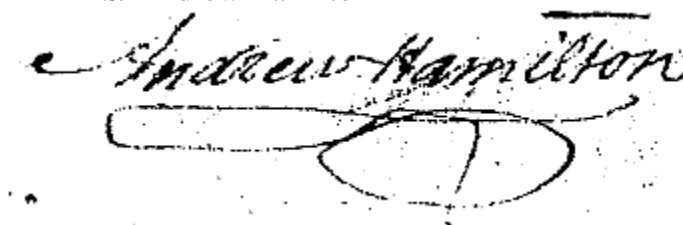
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I Major Andrew Hamilton do hereby certify that James Watt a soldier of the Revolution served mostly under the Command of General Andrew Pickens in the militia service of the State of South Carolina and that said James Watt was in the service several Campaigns from the year 1775 until the year of our Lord 1783 But the number of months or years he was in the service I do not recollect at this time he was a brave and intrepid soldier and fought with honour and integrity for the great cause of liberty and Independence of the United States of North America.
State of South Carolina

Abbeville District October 25, 1831

25 October 1831

S/ Andrew Hamilton³



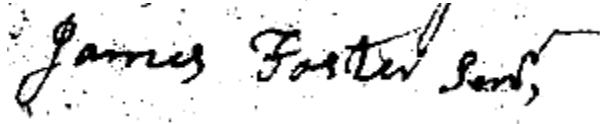
I James foster Senior, do hereby Certify that I was acquainted with James Watt and to the best of my knowledge the above written document signed by Major Andrew Hamilton is Correct

² South Carolina Audited Accounts No. 8845

³ [Andrew Hamilton S18000](#)

25 October 1831

S/ James Foster, Senr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Foster Senr," with a decorative flourish at the end.

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Decr. 10th [? unclear] 1831

Report of the Committee on Pensions on the Petition of Jenny Watt

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the Petition of Jenny Watt praying to be placed on the Pension List.

Recommend

That the prayer of said Petition be rejected

S/ Peter J. Shand, Chairman