

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Miles SC75

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To the Honorable the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina. –

Your Petitioner would respectfully represent to your Honorable Bodies that his Father John Miles was taken a Prisoner at the battle of the Hanging Rock [August 6, 1780], while engaged in fighting for the liberties of his country under General Sumter [Thomas Sumter], and taken to Camden, and hung August the 24<sup>th</sup>, A.D. 1780. Your Petitioner would further state that he is informed that an act was passed by the Legislature of this State affording relief to a certain extent to the widows of those who were killed or died in the service of this country during the Revolutionary War, but he has not been able to find any act which would extend to himself, but he would respectfully represent that under the peculiar circumstances of the case he your petitioner might with great justice and propriety be allowed something. Your Petitioner is now very old and infirm and is supported at the poor house in the vicinity of Columbia. – As your petitioner while very young, was left an orphan in consequence of losing his father in the service of his country, and he as he is now very old and infirm, your petitioner prays that you may for the few years remaining of his life, allow him a small pension & your petitioner will ever pray &c

S/ Samuel Miles



The Committee on Pensions – To whom was referred the petition of Samuel Miles – Praying for a Pension – Report –

That they have had the same under consideration and recommend that the prayer thereof be not granted

Respectfully submitted

S/ J. J. McMullan  
Chairman

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