To the Honorable, the Speaker; and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives –

The Memorial, and Petition of James Hooper humbly Sheweth –

That at the Commencement of the late Indian War in the year 1776 your Memorialist being a citizen of the State of South Carolina, living then on Pacolet River, near the Mountains, in a place greatly exposed to Savage barbarity; from whence; I was obliged to remove my family over broad river [Broad River] (with many others) to a place of Security. Your Memorialist then returned and entered as a Volunteer with Captain John Gowen, of Colonel Williamson’s [Andrew Williamson’s] Brigade, and under their Command, was march’d in the Cavalry, into the Middle Settlements of the Indians, where, in a general engagement with the Savages, your Memorialists received a wound through the body near the heart, which was Judged by the Doctors, and others, to be mortal; but [by the] mercy of God I survived, and in less than three years, was restored to my former Activity and ability and in the year 1778 entered into the Service again, under the Command of Captain James Hambleton, of Colonel Thomas [John Thomas Senior,] Regiment, where I acted as a Horseman, in defense of the frontier Settlements of this State during the time Specified in My Account Accompanying this Memorial – After which, I was forced to move into North Carolina, where I continued until after the Accounts against the public were generally made out, and Sent to be Audited; and being then absent, and missing of that Opportunity, have never avail’d myself of the privilege allowed for that purpose and Consequently have never received any wages, or pay for my services – wherefore, believing it to be my right, and that your honors have the power of redressing me therein Your Memorialist humbly prays that my Case may be taken into Consideration by your Honorable House and such Retribution made me, as in your wisdom may be Judged and Adequate Compensation for my service, and Suffering – and as in duty bound your Memorialist will pray and praise forever

S/ James Hooper

November the 17th 1797

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1 The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at [http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/](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.
29 November Petition of James Hooper
Committee on Accounts
Barred by law

Dr. the public of South Carolina in account with James Hooper
1778 To Horseman’s wages for Duty performed on the frontier
of the aforesaid State against the Indians under the Command of Capt.
James Hamilton from the 1\textsuperscript{st} day of September 1778
till the 27\textsuperscript{th} day of May 1779 which time
Amounts to 270 Days at 1 Dollar per Day 270 dollars

South Carolina
Pendleton County
to Wit Before John Verner a Justice of said County Personally appeared Major
James Hamilton And made oath as the law Directs saith on Oath that the said Duty was
performed by the Above named James Hooper as is above Specified by the Direction of Colonel
John Thomas
Sworn to & Subscribed this
3\textsuperscript{rd} day of June 1797 before me
S/ John Verner, JP

South Carolina
Pendleton County
To wit Before John Verner a Justice of said County personally appeared James
Hooper & after being Sworn on the Holy evangelist of Almighty God saith on oath that the
above mentioned Duty was by him performed under the above named Captain James Hamilton
& that he never Received any part thereof either directly or indirectly and that he Considers it
justly due him from the State aforesaid
Sworn to & subscribed this 3\textsuperscript{rd} Day of June 1797 before me
S/ John Verner, JP S/ James Hooper

I doe Certify the above said James Hooper was on duty under Captain Hamilton in the year 1778.
S/ John Thomas, then Coll.

[Note: The following document is contained in the South Carolina Audited Accounts file
relating to Straughan Conyers S18357 and posted in this database:]
No. 6
The Committee on Public Accounts to whom was referred the Petition of Stan Conyers [sic] for Duty done as a Soldier in 1779 & 1780 – also James Hopper’s Petition for Duty done as a Horseman in 1778 & 1779 – And also William Ball’s Petition for a Mare lost in the service during the late War – Report, that they have investigated the same, & find that they are barred by Law.]