

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of John Busby SC1 (South Carolina Audited Accounts for Claims Growing Out of the American Revolution, AA #949, Frames 151-167, Roll RW 2701)

Transcribed by Will Graves

The State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the President and members of the Senate of the said State. The Petition of John Busby respectfully sheweth That he entered the army of the Revolution in the Militia of this state in the early part of the year 1779, on Savannah River under Captain Daniel Green, under whom and Captains Benjamin Matthews, John Sapp, Ferguson and Joseph Johnson, he continued to serve until the close of the war, during which time the company to which he belonged was engaged principally in Suppressing the Tories in South Carolina and Georgia, and served at the siege of Augusta---that your Petitioner being a colored man, the duty generally assigned to him was to remain with and protect the baggage and provisions of the company, and although he was a regular enlisted Soldier, it so happened that the discharge of his other duties prevented his taking a part in any important engagement, he was however always ready and willing to discharge any duty that his offices might impose on him, and never shrunk from the performance of any duty, yet he never received a wound. That for his services which he flatters himself were important to his country, he never received any compensation whatever. That he is poor, old and infirm and no longer able to work for his support.

Your Petitioner therefore prays that he may be placed on the Pension list and thereby kept free from absolute want for the short period he has to live...

S/ John Busby, X his mark

South Carolina, Barnwell District

Personally appeared John Busby and being duly sworn says that the facts stated in the written Petition are true, and he further states that he is now as well as he can ascertain nearly eighty years of age.

Sworn to this 23rd October 1829 before me

S/ John Busby, X his mark

S/ A Patterson.

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South Carolina Barnwell District

A schedule of the estate of John Busby

Four cows, 2 calves & w heifers. Yearlings..... \$50.00

A horse which cost..... 30.00

40 acres of pine land..... 40.00

7 Head of hogs worth..... 7.00

Household furniture..... 20.00

\$147.00

John Busby being sworn says the above schedule contains the whole of his property & that the value annexed is reasonable.

Sworn to 23rd October 1829 before me.

S/ John Busby, X his mark

S/ A Patterson

We the Subscribers are acquainted with John Busby and his property & certify that the annexed

schedule contains the whole of his estate, and that the value set thereon is reasonable. We also think that the prayer of his Petition ought to be granted.

S/ G. R. Dunbar

S/ William L. Dunbar

S/ Edw. Wimberly

The committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of John Buzby Respectfully Report That they have considered the same and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be Granted 28th

November 1829 Sampson Pope, Chairman

In the House of Representatives, Dec. 1st, 1829

Resolved that the House do agree to the Report & ordered that it be sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By order of this House.

S/ R. Anderson,

C.H.R.

Senate, Dec. 2, 1829

Resolved that the senate do concur.

S/ John Johnston

C. S.

No. 72 Treasury Office.

Columbia, 5 June 1830

Received of B. H. Saxon, Treasurer of the Upper Division, Sixty Dollars on account of John Buzby, annuity.

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