Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Robert Watson SC2027 Audited Account Microfilm file No. 8268

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The Petition of Robert Watson praying for a pension

Pensions Rejected

B. Hagood

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Georgia Habersham County} November 7th, 1829

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of South Carolina

Sirs the petition of Robert Watson prays to your Honorable body as a Revolutionary Soldier hoping that the attention will be paid to the old man & if there is any money a coming to such characters as he says he is one of that number we hope the money may be Equally appropriated among them, to which your orator prays &c as he is an honest man & one man in Need

John Holcomb, JP

John Trammell, JP

M. Stevens, JP

Wilkes T Leonard this to certify that the under signed their own names

Solomon D. [Undeciphered]

James Colly
D. Y Monroe
Johines Killitt
Greenlee Davis

Eli Philips
Jsaac Black, JP
John Edmondson
John B Chastain

William Crane Ephriam Hefner Elijah Sutton Thomas Crumly Robert Crumly Cornelius Gibbs

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Drury Roach John L Richardson

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Georgia Habersham County} Personally came Robert Watson and being Duly Sworn Saith on oath that he don't own property to the Amount of ten dollars and he has five in the family and his Son John Watson is on his hands and has fits Daily and is not able to get his living and I have to maintain him and he further Saith that he enlisted in the year 1781 under the Command of General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] in Colonel Hampton [sic, Lt. Col. Wade Hampton's] Regiment and served as a listed [enlisted] Soldier the term of ten months and served two months with the Militia

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 November 1829 S/ Isaac Black, JP S/ John Watson, X his mark

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Georgia Hall County} Before me Hugh Kerr an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County personally came Charles Smith who being duly Sworn saith and deposeth that he knew Robert Watson as a listed Soldier under General Sumpter in the Revolutionary war and do believe he was a good and faithful Soldier. Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 16th March 1829 S/ Hugh Kerr, JP

S/ Charles Smith

I do hereby Certify that the above named Charles Smith is a man of truth S/ Hugh Kerr, JP

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Know all men by these presents that I Robert Watson a Soldier in the State Troops have bargained and sold my Bounty the Claim of a Negro to Shadrack Jacobs If there is any Chance to be had for my Bounty for the consideration of a horse Saddle and bridle and if draw Now pays February ye 25th 1782

Witness present

S/ William Young

S/ Joshua Jacobs, X his mark

S/ Robert Watson, X his mark

harles Smith

R. Watson is not on any of the Pay bills of the late State Brigade²

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State of South Carolina Newberry County} Personally appeared William Young and being duly sworn & Saith on oath that he was Personally present & did see Robert Watson Sign & deliver this instrument of writing to Shadrack Jacobs also Seed Said Watson [several undeciphered words] for the Line [?]

S/Wm Young

² This isn't correct as Robert Watson is listed on the pay roll of Captain William Alexander in Lieutenant Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment of Sumter's Brigade of Ten months State Troops <u>B387</u>



Sworn to before me this 22nd Agut. 1785 S/ Giles Rush [?] JP

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the petition of Robert Watson praying to be placed on the pension list

Respectfully Report

That they have considered the Same and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be rejected

1 December 1829

S/ Sampson Pope, Chairman