## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Needham Gunter (Gunther) SC3470 Audited Account No. 3181A

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Petition of Needham Gunther praying for a Pension we recommend Pension pass be Granted

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To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives

The humble petition of Needham Gunter an Inhabitant of the State of South Carolina in the District of Horry respectfully Sheweth that your petitioner listed [enlisted] during the Revolutionary War in the Service of His Country under the Command of General Marion [Francis Marion] was in the battle at Watbo [sic, Wadboo Bridge?, July 17, 1781]<sup>2</sup> from there to Beaufort there continued some months to Keep the British from landing from Beaufort we marched to Georgia Town from George Town we Returnback [sic] to Charleston where we had a skirmish and from Charleston on to the boulding Green [Bowling Green] and Continued on with General Marion until the end of the War having during all this period never missed a Single tour of Service that he is now in his ninety Eighth year of his age he can Scarcely walk about his memory is now fading under the Weight of years and has become Very defected his limbs has refused to do their office and he Solicits to your hands relief to assist him in the Space during the Short Remnant of days left to him in this Veil of trouble should your Honorable body be pleased to grant your petitioner that relief which has been frequently granted to others by placing him on the pension list you will pensioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

S/ Needham Gunther, X his mark

South Carolina

Horry District} Personally appeared Needham Gunter [sic] who being duly Sworn According to law deposeth & Saith that the Contents set forth in the Annexed Petition are Strictly true. Sworn to before me this

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/SC\_Revolutionary\_War\_Known\_Battles\_Skirmishes.htm

[undeciphered signature], JP

South Carolina

Horry District }

Personally appeared Needham Gunther who being Sworn according to law deposeth & Saith that the following Schedule is all the property he possesses

50 acres of land worth about	\$23.00
10 Head of cattle little and big	45.00
1 Small Horse	30.00
2 year old Hogs	2.00
	\$102.00
2 bee [undeciphered word]	2.00
	\$104.00

S/ Needham Gunther, X his mark

Sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> January 1828 [undeciphered signature], JP

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South Carolina Horry District} Personally appeared Wm Richardson<sup>3</sup> who being duly Sworn according to law deposeth & saith that he was well acquainted with Needham Gunter and Knew him to be a good Soldier during the Revolutionary War

S/ William Richardson

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[Note: All of the remaining documents in the file relate to the granting of a pension of \$60 per annum to the veteran and the annual distribution of same to him until he died in November 1833 except as transcribed below.]

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South Carolina Horry District 32<sup>nd</sup> November 1836

The petition of John Gunter Administrator of the goods & chattels of Needham Gunter deceased humbly Sheweth

That the aforesaid Needham Gunter was legally placed on the pension list of this State & for several years did receive the benefits of that enrollment: but that he died when the State was in arrears eighteen months, say ninety Dollars due him, (as accompanying documents will demonstrate). He therefore prays that amount would be paid him, as the Estate of the said Pensioner was much involved at his decease and his children in very indigent circumstances and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray

S/ John Gunter, Admin

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This MIGHT be the same man as William Richardson R8778