Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Hodge SC3897 pp21 Audited Account No. 3644

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[No.] 2920 No. 112

[Book] X 5 June 86 [1786]

William Hodge Junior For Militia Duty in Brandon's Regiment since the fall of Chs. ton [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] per Anderson's [Col. Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant] Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency

£177.0.0

£25.5.8 ½ [Sterling]

Ex^d. J. M^c. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

Received full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 2920 X

S/ William Hodge Junior

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[p 3: Restatement of the veteran's services as set forth above except in a slightly different format]

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[No.] 1122 No. 116

[Book] Y 6 May 86 [1786]

William Hodg [Sic] for a Wagon and Team in the Florida Expedition² from 7th May 1778 to 13th August following both days included being 99 days at 80/ [80 shillings old South Carolina currency] per day

Charged Currency £461.10

Deduct less being charged

at 90/instead of 80/ per day £40.10

Do. Cash received at

the same time 147.5 <u>187.15</u>

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at 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 number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

https://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/articles/history-archaeology/revolutionary-war-georgia#Three-Invasions-of-Florida

² Third Florida expedition: Spring 1778 [Robert Howe, Commanding Officer]

Currency £248.15 Stg. £35.10.8 ½

Ex^d. J. M^c. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General] Indent Granted to Colonel Thomas Brandon

[p 10: Printed form of Indent No. 1122 Book Y]

[p 11: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by Thomas Brandon, William Hodge and Richard H Homan who signatures appear as follows:

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The Petition of William Hodge kept praying Remuneration for services rendered during the Revolutionary war

Claims

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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate in session assembled in Columbia South Carolina

The Humble petition of William Hodge is with due respect submitted. Wherein your petitioner humbly prays, that the peculiar as well as the distressing circumstances of your petitioner may be taken into your consideration according to the tenor, and meaning of the subjoined affidavits, wherein your petitioner will now here relate to your honors; that on or about the commencement of the American revolution your petitioner stood forth with the noble few, that at, that time, was considered by all except the above mentioned number as a mere bubble and even all my relations took the other side of the question I had to bear the brunt scared at home and afraid to go abroad, had married a wife by whom I had three children all of whom I dearly loved as my own life and had emigrated from the State of Pennsylvania to this, then new Country, purchased from my savings a small tract of land on the banks of the Pacolet [River] where I thought by means of my industry and the fertility of the soil and Kind God to assist me, but how soon were my prospects blasted shortly the difference took place between the Mother country and the then provinces I soon afterwards saw a publication saying Americans be free or die and George Washington's name signed thereto, I then resolved to fight for liberty and never departed from the then made resolution, and for this cause and this alone my wife with her then little infant band were driven on the second day after the battle of Blackstock's ford [November 20, 1780] by a scout from Tarleton's [Banastre Tarleton's] regiment from this my well earned House and [word obliterated] that decomposing and said to be all consuming [paper damaged and text missing, but probably the word "fire"] was applied to my buildings I was unfortunate enough to be an eye witness of the destruction of my labours, for this I mean the Tories held me a prisoner while my dwelling House, Kitchen Barn and Stables out of which they took my Horses and made property of them without ever making me the least restitution and at the same time my wife expecting in a few minutes to be left a desolate widow with the helpless orphans who plead with those Iron Hearted people to leave one of the Horses to carry grice [grist] to the mill; the reply was no, that they had rather see a rebel parish to death, then relieve him. This greating [grating] as it was to my feeling almost too much for man to bear (yet I had it to do). And after all of which I little knew [the bottom of the page is compromised and the text rendered illegible] [the top of the next page is also compromised and rendered illegible] together with the galling chains [?] as well as imprisonment of the most

barbarous kind. To wit in that miserable place of confinement Camden Goal until 12 February from which together with sixteen others we made our escape and worked our way from that deplorable oppression; and after the expiration of three days and during that time the aliment the staple of life was a stranger to us we met with some of our hospitable people; nor had we until then found any place where on we could rest, free from fear. The amount according to the documents herewith submitted [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] the extent of my losses occasioned by the enemy [one or more words obliterated]...endant of my services as a soldier, which I assure you honors was forty three months of duty all performed under Capt. John Thomson Major Samuel Otterson and the then Col. Thomas Brandon for which I have never received retribution [sic] either directly or indirectly. Now after giving you a true statement of facts as they did exist, and now I am in the evening of life (to wit) eighty-five³ years of age without the common means of support or strength to acquire it, though I should have handed in a similar petition ere this, but my necessities have compelled me at length to resort to this alternative to employ your Honors for that gratuitous support which your Honors have been in the habits of giving to your war worn and disabled Countrymen that they may get the [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] year 1801 your Petitioner has not been able to mount or dismount his horse, with one exception, nor has he since that time been more than one mile from his now poor dwelling, and am now constrained to live under the curtalage [sic, curtilage?] and alone supported by the labor of one son and the filial affection of one Daughter are now my only supports and she has now a large family of Children say six five in number [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] must know [undeciphered word] sufficient to demand her entire attention and exertions and they are all not to compare to the labor and great attention, which she has to bestow on her aged parent. Now your Petitioner therefore submits his prayer to your peculiar attention with an ardent hope that your Honors will do him justice and relieve his necessitous condition.

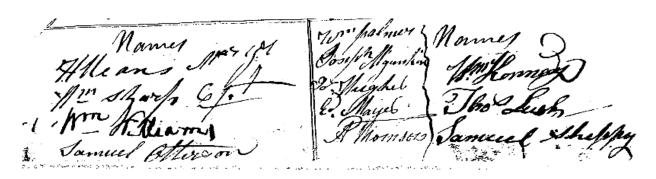
We the named subscribers being conscious of the justness of the petition above have thought proper to affix our names to convince you of the truth and give validity to the Petition

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Names		Names
H. Means Magst.	Wm Plamer [William	Wm Kennedy [William
11. Wealls Wagst.	Palmer	Kennedy [William
Wm Sharp Cpt. [William Sharp	Joseph McJunkin ⁴	Thos Lusk [Thomas Lusk]
Captain]	Joseph McJunkin	Thos Lusk [Thomas Lusk]
Wm Williams [William Williams]	Jos. Hughel	Samuel Sheppy
Samuel Otterson ⁵	Ed Maye [Edward Maye]	
	A. Thomson	

³ This means the veteran was born circa 1732 since this petition is dated 1817.

⁴ Joseph McJunkin S18118 ⁵ Samuel Otterson S25344



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State of South Carolina

[illegible] District
Personally appeared William Hodge before me the subscribing Justice and maketh Oath as the Law directs that the facts as well as the items together with the circumstances in the annexed petition are just and true to the best of this Deponent's knowledge &c.

Sworn & subscribed this 29 day of November 1817

S/ [illegible] Henderson, QU

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S/ William Hodge

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I dwo [do] heareby Cirtify that the above named Wm Hodg was a faithfull and [undeciphered word]⁶ Solder and did Sirve under us the above offiser in the battle of the Utaw Spring [sic, Eutaw Springs]⁷ as well at the ten mile branch together at the Seige of Ninty six the snow Camp and the Fort on Congaree Creek, was active in the indeant. [sic] ware [war] & did suffer much by fier [fire] from the Enimy as well as imprisonment, I allso have Caus to belive he has never reciv'd any Retribution.

S/ Samuel Otterson

Samuel When non

[pp 20-21: Vouchers showing payments of \$60 as an annuity to William Hodge of the Revolutionary War, the first voucher being dated June 8, 1820 and the second voucher dated June 1, 1821.]

⁷ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of eutaw springs.html https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ninety_six.html

9 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html