Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to George Johnson SC4341 Audited Account No. 4044

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South Carolina

To the Hounorable the Seanate and members of the Legislature Now Sitting in General Assembly

The petetion of George Johnson of the District of Newberry by his frend Lewis Hogg Do State to Your Hounours that he Entered into the Servis as a melitia Souldier when he was young in the Revolutionery war and Most of his time was in the Service firs [sic, first] went to or near augustia [sic, Augusta]² when the British had possession of that next to Stono³ under Capt. wadlingtn [William Wadlington] or rather Isaack Morgan [Isaac Morgan] who was a Luntenant [sic, Lieutenant] in the wadlingtons Company and was in that Battel [sic, battle] John Liles [sic, John Lisle, Sr.] was the Colonel then went home – Sometime after that went out again under Captain Thoms Jones [sic Thomas Jones] sometimes under Jeneral Pickens [Andrew Pickens] sometimes under Jeneral Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] was with Sumpter at Blacstr [sic, Blackstock's fite [sic fight] at the hanging Rock Mostly under Captain Jones, till he got killed [April 3, 1781] then under Capt. James Kelley and Lewis Hogg Luntenant after some time Lewis Hogg became Capten [sic] and remained under him till the End of the war and many years after, Your petitioner states to your Hounours that he is now about sixty years old afflicted with the Rumattick [Rheumatic] pains not able to work for his subsistenance [subsistence] and quite poor with out a house or home and has to Live a mongst his frends and old neighbours at there [their] Discretion your petitioner prays that you would take his Surcimstance [circumstance] into your

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 "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. 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.

² Perhaps a reference to first Siege of Augusta [September 12-18, 1780] http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800914-augusta/

³ June 20, 1779 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution stono ferry.html

⁴ Spartan Regiment of SC militia

⁵ 1st Spartan Regiment

⁶ November 20, 1780 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_blackstocks.html

⁷ August 6, 1780 https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_hanging_rock.html

consideration and give your petitioner such assistenance [assistance] as in your wisdom may think fit or proper and your petitioner will Ever pray

S/ George Johnson by my friend Lewis Hogg

George Ihmson Lymy from Lewis Hogg

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I Lewis Hogg Do Certify that I was acquainted and knew the within petitioner George Johnson Before the war and all the time of the war and Ever Since and knows of his own knowledge that the whole or nearly all stated in the petition to be true and further thinks that the petitioner Deserves well some assistance



NB I further state to you the Reason that this petition Comes in manner, is because, Sometime before I came from home the petitioner Came to me to Draw a petition for him I Informed him that I thought that it was useless as I was of the opinion none would be allowed a pension only them that had been Listed [enlisted] Soldiers.

S/ Lewis Hogg

[p 18: Note that the petitioner was looked upon with favor in December 1823]

[p 20: Receipt dated June 8, 1825 evidencing the payment of \$120 to George Johnston [sic] as an annuity.]

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The petition of Mary McGatha praying that the arrearage of pension due to George Johnson may be paid to her

Granted

Pensions

John K Griffin

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The State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the said State. The petition of Mary McGatha Sheweth. That George Johnson, late of the District of Newberry and State aforesaid, departed this life intestate on the 16th of April 1826 leaving his children Thomas, Edward, Bartholomew, and Stephen Johnson and your petitioner his only heirs him surviving – all of whom are of full age. That your Petitioner had the charge of the said George during his last illness. That the said George at the time of his death was entitled to arrears of pension from the

State of South Carolina [text obliterated and rendered illegible] possessed of no property of any value. That the rest of the children of the said George have consented that the arrears of the pension due to the said George should be paid to your Petitioner as a compensation for her service and attendance on the said George during his last illness. Wherefore your Petitioner prays your Honorable body to pay her at the arrears of the pension due her father the said George at his death and your Petitioner will pray.



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the undersigned the heirs of George Johnson (deceased) agree that the arrears of pension due to the said George, be paid to their sister Mary McGatha as compensation for her attendance to the said George in his last illness. November 9th 1826

S/ Bartholomew Johnson

S/ Edward Johnson

S/ Stephen Johnson

S/ Thomas Johnson

Thomas Johnson

[p 25: Below is a better example of Mary McGatha's signature on another version of the petition transcribed above.

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[Note: Documents in the file indicate that the petition was granted and that in December 1826 Mary McGatha was paid \$60 as the arrears in pension due her father at the time of his death.]