## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John McElhenny SC5464 Audited Account No. None

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' or 'undeciphered' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention. Researchers should not rely solely on the transcripts but should review the originals for themselves. These transcripts are intended as an aid to research, not to be used in lieu thereof.]

[Transcribers Note: there is no audited account for this veteran in the South Carolina archives. The following information is taken from South Carolina Stub Books L-N, p. 77:

No. Four

Book M}

Issued the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 1784. to Captain John McElhenny late of Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Hammond's Regiment of State Troops for One Hundred and Eighty Eight pounds Sterling for the Ballance of pay and Bounty due him for services in that regimt. Together with Interest thereon from 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1782 per Resolution of General Assembly dated the 11<sup>th</sup> March 1784

Principal	£188.0.0 <sup>2</sup>
Interest	13.3.2]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <u>http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/</u>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the <u>Just take me to the search page</u> 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, if any, 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Men who enlisted for ten months beginning in April 1781 in the SC State Troops of Light Dragoons under Hammond were promised wages payable in slaves taken from the Tories. Such 'pay' was known as "Sumter's Wages." When the number of confiscated slaves proved inadequate to pay this horrendous form of payment, the South Carolina Legislature authorized the payment of £94 Sterling in lieu of one grown Negro slave. As a Lieutenant in said Regiment, this officer would be entitled to one grown and one small Negro slave.