Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Brown SC929 Audited Account Microfilm file No. 831 (2)

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To the Honorable General Assembly of the State of South Carolina Now Sitting in Columbia – The Petition of William Brown of Sumter District

Humbly Sheweth

That during the arduous struggle for the Independence of these United States he early engaged in the cause of his Country and at the Age of fourteen was called out to assist in Guarding the Jail at Long Bluff on Pedee [River] at that time filled with Tories taken in arms against their Country and that he continued there until they were tried condemned & executed and the Militia regularly discharged –

That he afterwards served as a Militia man under General Francis Marion during the year 1781 & 1782 and continued to hold himself in readiness to serve when called upon until General Marion's Brigade was regularly discharged –

That he never received pay for the service with the exception of thirty-five days & your Petitioner would further State to your Honorable Body that he is a Black Smith [blacksmith] by trade and Occupation. That he now is and always has been in low circumstances – that he has by reason of Age become unable to work, at his business sufficient to earn a Support for himself & family and is likely to come to want.

He therefore prays Your Honorable Body to take his Case into Your Serious consideration and that he may be placed on the Pension list or in some way grant relief as in your Wisdom shall seem Best – and Your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever Pray

S/ William Brown, WB his mark

Signed in Presence Cyrus Morse Q U for Sumter District

We the subscribers hereby Certify that we knew the above named William Brown to belonged to General Francis Marion's Brigade and serve in that capacity of a Militia man with faithfulness and courage during the time as stated above Witness

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S/ Peter Dubose, Lieut.

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Schedule of the Property of William Brown of Sumte	er District
Sundry Articles of Household	
& kitchen furniture Estimated at	
about	\$20
One Old Saddle & Bridle	\$4
One Ax part worn	<u>\$1</u>
	\$25

I hereby certify the above to be a true Schedule of all the Property I possess S/ William Brown, MB his mark

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To the Honorable Senate of the State of South Carolina now sitting in Columbia – The petition of William Brown humbly Sheweth – that during the arduous struggle for the Independence of these United States he early engaged in the Cause of his Country & at the age of fourteen, was called out to assist in guarding the Jail at Long Bluff on Pedee [River], at that time filled with Tories, taken with arms against their Country & that he continued there until they were tried, condemned & executed & the militia regularly discharged.

That he afterwards served as a militia man under General Francis Marion during the years 1781 & 1782 & continued to hold himself in readiness to serve when called upon until General Marion's brigade was discharged, that he never received any pay for the same with the exception of thirty-five dollars – your Petitioner would further state to your Honorable [body] that he is a Black Smith by trade, that he is now & always has been in low circumstances. That he has by reason of age become unable to work at his trade, sufficient to earn a support for himself & family and is likely to come to want.

He therefore prays your Honorable body to take his case into your serious consideration & that he be placed on the Pension list, or in other ways grant relief as in your wisdom & [indecipherable word] seem best & your petitioner will ever pray

S/ William Brown, X his mark

[same supporting affidavit as above by Lt. Peter Dubose and same schedule of property as above.]

[p 18] December 11, 1827 Report of the Committee on pensions on the petition of William Brown Soldier of the Revolution Favorable Table S/ Jo Morrow

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of William Brown praying a pension

Respectfully Report

That they have had the same under consideration and recommend the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

S/ John McComb, Chairman

December 1827

[p 22: voucher dated 28 July 1828 showing disbursement of \$60 as an annual annuity to William Brown. The vouchers continue until 8 June 1832]

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State of South Carolina Sumter District} Know all men by these presents that I William D Brown of Sumter District South Carolina do hereby appoint and constitute James Taylor of Sumter South Carolina for me and in my name and stead and in the name and stead of my Brother Haston Brown to receive from the Treasurer of the State of South Carolina or any other officer of the State the arrears of pension due to my father William Brown at the time of his death on 27th of July 1832 as fully set forth in the foregoing Petition. [Boilerplate power of attorney language not transcribed]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 28th day of November 1856

S/WmDBrown{LS}

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Petition of William D Brown praying payment to himself & brother of arrears of Pension due his father now deceased.

Entitled to pension from 1^{st} March 1832 2/27 of July following at the rate of \$60 per year. due \$24.16

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State of South Carolina Sumter District} Personally appeared before me William D Brown of Sumter District age 59 years who being duly sworn according to law upon his oath swears that on reference to the Bible containing a record of his Father's death the leaf on which it was written was found to be torn out by he supposes one of his children but he distinctly recollects his father died on the 27th day of July 1832 as stated in the foregoing declaration.

Sworn and Subscribed before me at

Sumter the 28th November 1856 S/ A. A. Nettles, Magistrate

S/ William D Brown