

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Wade Hampton W10078

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

Consulate of the United States of America } SS
City of Paris }
Empire of France }

On this thirteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty eight personally appeared before the undersigned Consul at the City of Paris in said Empire of France Mrs. Mary Hampton, temporarily residing in the Empire aforesaid, who is personally known to me as a Citizen of the State of South Carolina in the United States of America, who after being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the pension laws of the United States, namely the acts of 7th June 1832 and the Act of 29th July 1848, and such other Acts & resolutions of Congress of the United States of America, as may apply to the claim or claims for pension and arrears of pension That she is the widow of the late General Wade Hampton deceased late of the District of Richland in the State of South Carolina in the United States of America aforesaid, and who, (according to the best knowledge & belief of this declarant, not having her said husband's Revolutionary papers with her they being in South Carolina aforesaid) entered the service of the United States of America under the following circumstances & served as hereinafter stated in the Revolutionary War declared by the United States against the Kingdom of Great Britian, viz, That according to the information which this declarant has heretofore derived from her said husband and from other sources, her said husband was at the beginning of said war a resident of said State of South Carolina, and promptly took part in the defence of his country and was soon appointed Pay Master to one of the Continental Regiments of said State, in which capacity he served until after the fall of Charleston in said State, May [12] 1780, soon after which, in March or April in the year Seventeen hundred and Eighty one, upon the raising of [Gen. Thomas] Sumter's Brigade of State Troops (Cavalry) was elected Colonel of one of the Regiments Brigade and was in active service as such from April 1781 to March 1782, and took a part with his Regiment of Cavalry in the various engagements with the enemy known as "Sumter's Rounds" to wit in the battles of Hanging Rock [6 Aug 1780], Rocky Mount [30 Jul 1780], Fish Dam Ford [9 Nov 1780], Blackstock's [20 Nov 1780] and Juniper Springs [18 Jun 1781] together with the celebrated battle at the Eutaw Springs in September [8] 1781, all of which were in the said State of South Carolina, and that her said husband continued to hold his Commission as Colonel in the Militia of South Carolina after March 1782 and was doubtless occasionally in the service after that period until peace was finally restored, and for further particulars of her said husband's service this deponent respectfully refers to the proofs from records herewith & hereafter to be filed, and this declarant further declares that she is now 77 years of age; that she was married to the said General Wade Hampton on the 4th July day of 1801 at St Mathews in said State of South Carolina. That her said husband died on the 4th Feb'y day of Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and thirty five in said District of Richland in said State of South Carolina, & that since that time this Declarant has ever remained & now is his widow & that she makes this declaration having a family record showing the date of said marriage for the purpose above set forth

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Henry W Spencer } [signed] Mary Hampton
United States Consul }

State of South Carolina } SS

District of Richland } On this twenty sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty personally appeared before me a magistrate in and for said District & State Mrs. Mary Hampton aged seventy seven years a resident of said District & State who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Brig. Gen'l. Wade Hampton deceased, who was a Brigadier General in the Regular Army of the United States in the

war declared by the United States against Great Britian the 18th day of June AD 1812. that her said husband was commissioned Brigadier General by James Madison President of the United States on the 9th day of May AD 1809 to take effect from 15 Feby 1809 as shown by his Commission & which position of Brigadier General her said husband held during the war until he was honorably discharged from said service all of which will appear by reference to the Records of the War Department. She further declares that she was married to the said General Wade Hampton in St. Mathews Orangeburg District State of South Carolina on the 4th July AD 1801 & that her said husband died in this District & State on the 4th February 1835, which facts of marriage & death are shown by her family Record, there being no public record of the same required by law of this State at the times stated - that her name before her said marriage was Mary Cantey and that she is still his widow. That she makes this Declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled as such widow, under the Acts of Congress of & relating to the war of 1812, or of 3^d March 1855 & such other acts as may apply to her case & that for said services of her said husband she has not heretofore applied for or received any Bounty Land under the foregoing or any other acts of Congress. James A Black Esq Columbia South Carolina is duly authorized hereby to prosecute this claim & to receive any warrant which may be issued hereon.

[signed] Mary Hampton

[Addendum to Wade Hampton W10078]

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Wade Hampton
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 3287

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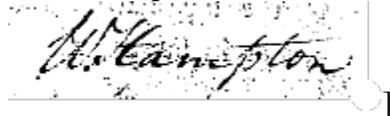
[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have 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' 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. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. 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 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 29: Printed form of Indent No. 253 Book M “delivered to Mr. Wade Hampton late Lieutenant Colonel in Sumpter’s [Thomas Sumter’s] Brigade State Troops &c this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Three hundred twenty-nine pounds Sterling being amount pay and bounty due him for Services in that Troop Together with Interest thereon from the first April 1782 to date hereof Agreeable to Resolution of General Assembly of the Eleventh March last.”]

[p 30: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by Peter Bocquet, Commissioner of the South Carolina treasury, Henry Doggett, William Henderson, Ben Waller, Felix Warley and John Lewis Gervais. How these men acquired an interest in the Indent is not disclosed by the documents in this file.]

[p 31: Printed form of indent No. 636 Book C dated March 21st, 1785 “delivered to Colonel Wade Hampton this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of Four hundred Sixty-six pounds twelve Shillings and four pence Sterling for Pay and Subsistence due him as per Certificate at [text too faint to discern].”]

[p 33: Reverse of the above Indent bearing several endorsements among which were several by Wade Hampton as follows:



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The State of South Carolina

To Lt. Col. Wade Hampton

Dr.

1781	To Cash paid for 63 Sides of Harness leather, for Caps, Sword belts, scabbards &c purchased for the use of his Regiment at 3 Ds.	Dollars 189
	36 Swords Ditto at 6 Ds.	216
	25 Yards Scarlet Durants for Sashes to Caps & Flags to Spears Ditto at ½ Ds	13 ½

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) 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.

Wade Hampton makes oath, that the above Sum of four hundred sixty-eight and half dollars Specie was paid by him in North Carolina for the articles above mentioned, purchased to Equip his Regiment: having General Sumter's orders for the same, and an assurance that the money should be reimbursed by the State; That no part thereof has ever been returned, nor has he ever received any kind of satisfaction for it
Sworn this 1st day of December 1782
Before S/ Wm. Henderson, JP S/ Wade Hampton

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An Account of Goods received of Colonel Wade Hampton by Thomas Jackson, January 5, 1782, for completing his Regiment

40 yards of blue Flannel

23 yards of red Ditto

20 yards of homespun

Made use of part of the above by order and for the use of said Colonel Hampton

8 yards of red Flannel for lining for Colonel Hampton's cloak

6 yards of ditto Thomas Singleton

4 yards of homespun Major Boykin

2 yards Ditto for lining Colonel Hampton's Portmanteau

Remains of the above due to Colonel Hampton	£	S	d
40 yards of blue flannel at 2S4d	4.	13.	4
6 yards of red ditto at 2.4		.14	
14 yards of homespun at 2.4	1.	12.	8
To an Account that Mr. William Boykin paid to Mr. Gaunt	10.	10	
6 gallons of Train oil at 14S	4.	4	
Received of John Boykin	3.	3	
To Cash you paid to David Westcott	<u>8.</u>	<u>8</u>	
			[31. illegible sum]

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Gent.

I found among my papers several old orders most of which were left with me by Mr. John Bynum to be given in to you – my only reason for sending them at this late hour, is that they may not in future be precluded, in case the time should be extended for the adjustment of such claims as could not be furnished within the time.

These orders have several times been presented by Mr. Bynum at the office

Your Obedient Servant
S/ W. Hampton
Sunday 10 o'clock

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Report & resolve for the house of Representatives fulfilling up Lieutenant Colonel Hampton's Corps

R. 11. 1782

In the House of Representatives

February 3, 1782

Resolved that this House do agree to the Report of the Committee as within mentioned

Ordered that the report be sent to the Honorable the Senate for their Concurrence

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The Committee appointed to devise ways & means for filling up Lieutenant Colonel Hampton's Corps

Report

That instead of four Troops of Cavalry as directed by the Executive They recommend that the Corps be reduced to two Troops of Cavalry and two Companies of Infantry, each Troop & Company to contain the same number of Officers, Noncommissioned officers & Privates as those in the Continental Legionary Corps

That Colonel Hampton be directed to recruit a Sufficient number of Men for the War, or three Years, to Complete the Corps, agreeable to above Arrangement and that he may be enabled to do so, Your Committee recommend that he be furnished with One hundred Negroes as soon he produces in the field two hundred men fit for Service.

It is the opinion of your Committee that the Men so enlisted should receive the same pay & other embodiments, as are, or may be allowed to Continental Soldiers raised in this State for the same term of Service –

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The Committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor

Report

That your Committee were informed by the Governor that General Greene [Nathanael Greene] had received by express a letter dated Ye 31st December from General Washington [George Washington] which mentions, that an embarkation had taken place at New York of three Regiments of British Infantry, & a detachment of Hessian Grenadiers.

That they were to be conveyed by two Ships of the line, & some frigates, & that their destination was supposed to be Charles town.

That General Greene had an account, that two Ships of the line, & some frigates were arrived off the Bar.

In consequence of this intelligence the Governor recommends dispatch to this House, but at the same time desires, that the members will not be alarmed, as they may depend on having early information of the Enemies movements –

Mr. Speaker & Gents

This House having taken under consideration the resolve of your House upon the report of your Committee to devise ways & means for filling up Lt. Col. Hampton's Corps the same was disagreed to –

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Copy

Charleston July 10th, 1783

The underwritten Sergeants in behalf of the men of the first and Second Troop which did

belonged to Colonel Hampton's Corps, and which now composed the third 6 Company in the First South Carolina Continental Regiment, begs leave to inform his Excellency that they cannot return to their respective homes (being now on furlough) without requesting him to accept of their most grateful thanks for the attention he has paid to their requests, and goodness in promising to do all in his power for them; and His Excellency may rest assured they have still, and ever will have uppermost in their hearts that zeal for their Country's Service which led them into it: And they flatter themselves the General Assembly will, upon His Excellency's Representation in their behalf, take into serious Consideration the many Fatigues and Hardships, they have undergone, and have their accounts settled in such a manner as the finances of the State will best admit of –

With the most profound Respect, we beg leave to subscribe ourselves in behalf of the men

Your Excellency's
Most obedient and most Humble Servants
S/ James Ware, Serjt.
S/ Patrick MaMahon, Serjt.

To his Excellency
Governor Guerard

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1791 Petition of sundry Soldiers in Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment
Commodore Gillon, Major Pinckney, Colonel Washington

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The Honorable Jacob Reed Esquire Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Gentlemen the Members of the House,

The petition of your humble petitioner's residing on and near the Congaree River, most Humbly Sheweth,

That we, your humble petitioner's all men of staunch Republican principles, which the whole tenor of our Conduct sufficiently evinces, But at the time when this part of the Country was overrun by its implacable Enemies, Maxwell the commander of the Congaree Fort forced all the men of the Vicinage within the fortification; where We remained until the play surrendered to the American arms, It was then proposed to the prisoners, whether they should be sent to Charleston or serve 10 months in the Cause of their Country, the latter was regularly embraced by us, and we proved our Innate and Independent feelings, by immediately entering under the Banner of General Sumter in Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment of light Troops, and by the Cheerfulness and Alacrity with which we went through our Duty during the said term, We therefore, your humble petitioner's humbly hope that this Honorable house will be pleased to look on us in the same point of view as on the rest of the Regiment we served in, that we may Receive the same Bounty as promised to others, your petitioners also Humbly Represent to this house, that the greatest part of us during our Absence from home and on Duty, were by the inroads of Foraging parties plundered of our effects and are Reduced to very Indigent circumstances,

Your petitioner's rest in humble hope this house will be pleased to honor that we may receive the bounty and pay as the rest of the troop, adequate to the time of our service, or grant us such relief in the premises as to the wisdom and humanity of the house shall seem meet.

And your humble petitioner's will ever pray &c &c

Saxa-Gotha, January 24, 1791

Frederick Class²

George Slappey

Frederick Slappey

Henry Slappey Sergeant

Barbara Lee, executrix to estate
of Adam Minik

Jacob Hoiley [Jacob Hoyley]

Henry Gage [?]

Simon Theus

Edward Wales [Edward Wells]

John Tyler

Martin Huk [Martin Hook]

John Gasserd [John Gossert]

Matthew Senn in Honor of his son

James Mashborn

Jacob Bouncy [?]

Martin Hidle

Conrad Raif [?]

Oliver Legran

Joseph Foust

Peter Foust

Saxa-Gotha, January, 24th, 1791,

~~These are~~

Frederick Class	Martin Huk.
George Slappey	John Gasserd
Frederick Slappey	Math. Senn, in Honor of his Son.
Henry Slappey Sergt.	James Mashborn
Barbara Lee, Executrix to Estate of Adam Minik	Jacob Bouncy
Jacob Hoiley	Martin Hidle
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Edward Wales	Joseph Foust
John Tyler	Peter Foust

² See [Frederick Class SC2028](#) for claims by Class, George, Henry and Frederick Slappey, Adam Minik, Jacob Hoyley, Simeon Theus, Martin Hidle, Martin Hook, James Mashborn, John Gossert, Henry Senn, Oliver Legran, John Foust, Peter Foust and Edward Wells

Hampton, Richard, Letter To John Hampton Conveying News Of The Brothers Hampton And The Payment In Slaves Which Volunteers For Wade Hampton's Regiment Are To Receive (4 Pages; Printed, Gibbes, Documentary History, 1781-1782, Pp. 47-48) Date: 4/2/1781

People in this record:

Hampton, Wade

Also: Hampton, Henry; Hampton, John; Hampton, Richard; Middleton, Charles; Sumter, Thomas; Hamptons Light Dragoons; Slavery

Record details: Date: 4/2/1781

Series: Robert W. Gibbes Collection of Revolutionary War Manuscripts (S213089)

Document type: Letter

Images: Online

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2nd of April 1781

Dear Brother

For News I give you the following

Viz. Brother Wade [Wade Hampton] has Joined General Sumter [Thomas Sumter] has left all his property in the possession of the British & Tories, he now fights them hard. – Brother Henry [Henry Hampton] is raising a Regular Regiment of Light Horse as also Colonel Middleton [Charles S Myddelton], Hawthorn [James Hawthorn], Hill [William Hill]. I have accepted the Majority in Myddelton's Regiment Brother Wade I leave will also raise a Regiment.

I wish not to be amiss to mention the terms on which they are to be raised & the number each Regiment consist of – The troops are to enlist for ten months each Regiment to have one Lieutenant Colonel, one Major 5 Captains 10 Lieutenants each company 6 Sergeants & 25 privates the pay to be as follows:

each Colonel to receive 3 Grown & 1 small Negro

Major 3 grown Do

Captain two Do

lieutenants 1 large & 1 small Do

the Staff – Do

the Sergeants 1 ¼ Do

each private 1 Do

& to be furnished with 1 Coat 2 waistcoats 2 pair of overalls, 2 shirts, 2 pair stockings 1 pair shoes & spurs, 1 Horsemen's, 1 Blanket & ½ Bushel Salt to those who have families & two thirds of all articles Captured from the Enemy except Negroes & military Stores & Salvage allowed them for all articles belonging to our friends which we may Capture from the Enemy & to be equipped with a sword, pistols Horse Saddle & Bridle &c. Should you meet with any Young men who are willing to turn into this kind of Service you may assure them that the terms will be strictly complied with & the General directs that any who may think proper to come out with the wagons in order to joined the said Service is to be Served with provisions for themselves & horses. –

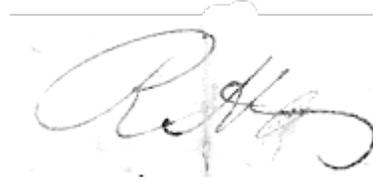
Brother Wade has brought 1 of your Negro fellows with him (Jacob) – We are in high Spirits –

I am Dear Brother
yours Sincerely
R. Hampton

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Hampton", enclosed within a decorative, cloud-like border.

NB Should you find it convenient (after dispatching the Wagons to join the Pittsylvania & Bedford Counties in order to regulate our affairs, you will in that case act discretionally [sic ?] – Let the Horse Hornet Cover at 40/ in Spetin [?], or the depretration [sic ?]

S/ R H

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. H.", positioned below a horizontal line.