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Pension application of Archibald Campbell R1622

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State of South Carolina Williamsburgh District: SS

On this Eighth day of April 1846 personally appeared before the Subscriber a Magistrate for Williamsburgh District State of South Carolina Mr. Archibald Campbell a resident of said District and State aged Eighty-four years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the War of the Revolution under General Marion, that he entered about six months after Lord Cornwallis crossed the Santee River at Leneud's ferry, and continued in service to the end of the War, and that for said Services he now receives a pension of \$60 per annum from the State of South Carolina. That he was in a Scrimmage or small Battle on Cooper River under Captain John McCauley who was Captain under General Marion [Francis Marion] that they reconnoitered from Charleston across the Santee River about Georgetown and from that up to the Pedee River through Williamsburgh District and all the adjoining Country under the said John McCauley who afterwards or before the close of the War, became Major, that John Dickson was first Lieutenant under McCauley and William Skillen was second Lieutenant while McCauley was Captain. That he the said Archibald Campbell was but fifteen years of age when he was first called out he this deponent felt himself too young to commence the Service but that Archibald McDonald who was then either Major or Colonel, said that he the said A. Campbell was plenty large to commence the Service so he then entered the Service and continued until the end of the war, whenever it would come to his term. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State, except the State of South Carolina from which State he has received a pension of \$60 per annum for about 5 years.

Sworn to and subscribed on the year and date before herein written before me a Magistrate for Williamsburgh district and State of South Carolina, and I further Certify that the said Archibald Campbell is from bodily infirmity unable to attend court, and also that the Questions required by the Department were propounded to him by me and answered as above and I do hereby express my opinion after the investigation of the matter that the above named applicant was a revolutionary Soldier and served as he states.

S/W. B. Graves, Magt. WBH

S/Archibald Campbell

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[Charles Barnins and William Crops, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Archibald Campbell AA36 Audited Account Microfilm file No.

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Petition of Archibald Campbell praying to be placed on the pension list Pensions
Rejected
S/ Thomas D Singleton, Sr.

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To the Honorable the President and other Members of the Senate

The Humble petition of Archibald Campbell Sheweth, that at the age of Sixteen in the year 1778 he was called upon to take the field in the War of the Revolution, under General Marion, in the Company commanded by Captain, afterwards Major, John McCauley that he done his regular Tour of duty faithfully until the Close of the War he is now in the Seventieth year of his age, that he possesses little property of any Value as will appear by the annexed Schedule, that he has become very infirm and that he has lately been considerably disabled by a fall from a Horse – That he understood that the legislature has humanely taken into their consideration the situation of all those old Soldiers (who are become poor and unable to support themselves) and who fought and [word written over and rendered illegible] to establish the happy Government we now enjoy, to allow them a measly sum or pension sufficient to keep them from Suffering in their old age – Your petitioner conceives himself one of those, and hopes by Affidavits accompanying his petition, that your Honorable body will view him as such, and take his case into serious consideration, place him on the pension list, and allow him whatever in your Judgment he may be entitled to, for his support during the remainder of his old age – And as in duty bound he will ever pray

State of South Carolina Williamsburgh District} Personally appeared before me Peter E Perritt one of the Justices of the Quorum in said District Archibald Campbell who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, deposeth and saith that the facts stated above as to his services in the militia during the War of the Revolution are Just and true Sworn to before me and subscribed the 14 November 1829 [signature of the JP obliterated]

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State of South Carolina Williamsburgh District} Personally appeared before me Peter E Perritt one of the Justices of the Quorum assigned to keep the peace in said District, Robert Davis² who being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, deposeth and Saith, that he was acquainted with Archibald Campbell (who has petitioned the Legislature to be placed on the

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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.

² Robert Davis R2760

Pension List) in the War of the Revolution, and that he saw him frequently during the last few years of the War in Camp in the Company commanded by Captain John McCauley, and that he verily believes he served his regular Tour from 1778 which he states in his petition till the close of the War, that he is now old and infirm, and possesses very little property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 14 November 1829

S/ Peter E Perritt, JQ

S/ Robert Davis, X his mark

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The following contains a true and Correct Schedule of Archibald Campbell to wit

1 Horse

8 or 9 Head of Stock Cattle

South Carolina Williamsburgh District Personally appeared Archibald Campbell who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that the above Schedule Contains a true and Correct Statement of all his Estate both Real & Person & that besides he would say no right, title or claim to any other Estate Real or Personal

Sworn to before me the 16th November 1829 S/RG Ferrell, QU

S/Archibald Campbell

Archibald Campbell

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the Petition of Archibald Campbell praying to be placed on the pension list

Respectfully Report

That they have considered the same and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be rejected 15th December 1829

S/ Sampson Pope, Chairman

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The State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the Speaker and other members of the House of Representatives of this State.

The petition of Archibald Campbell of the district of Williamsburgh and State aforesaid, Sheweth:

That at the age of Sixteen in 1778, he was called upon to take the field in the War of the revolution, under General Marion in the Company of Captain afterwards Major John McCauley: that he did his duty as a private faithfully until the close of the war. He is now in the 74th year of his age and possesses little property of any value, as will appear by the annexed schedule. Your Petitioner is very infirm and sometimes since received considerable injury by a fall from his horse. Your petitioner conceives himself entitled to some consideration from your Honorable body and hopes that such allowance for his future maintenance and support may be granted, as to your Honorable body, in your wisdom and liberality may deem proper. Your petitioner begs leave further to state, that he received sometime since from Mr. Robert Davis one of the surviving soldiers of the revolution and an aged inhabitant of this district, a certificate of the above facts sworn to by him, and that this paper has since been lost: and as in duty bound your petitioner will ever pray.

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The State of South Carolina Williamsburgh District} Before me Peter E Perritt, a Justice of the Quorum of the said district, personally appeared the within named Archibald Campbell, who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that the facts stated in the within petition are true. Sworn to before me this 18th day of November 1833

S/ Peter E Perritt, QU

S/ Archibald Campbell, X his mark

[Affidavits by Perritt as to the testimony given by Robert Davis, deceased, and the reputation and character of Davis as a soldier of the revolution and as a man of integrity]

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The State of South Carolina

Schedule of the entire Estate and possessions of the within named Archibald Campbell – to wit One Sorrel or they mare 14 years of age

Five head of cattle

Personally appeared before me Archibald Campbell who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that the foregoing Schedule exhibit a true and full account and statement of his entire property and State

Sworn to before me this 18th of November 1833

S/ Peter E. Perritt, QU

S/ Archibald Campbell, X his mark

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the Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the petition of Archibald Campbell praying a Pension have considered the same & beg leave to recommend that the prayer thereof the not granted

December 1836

S/ P C Caldwell, Chairman

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State of South Carolina Williamsburgh district} Before me RG Ferrell personally appeared 1 Archibald Campbell who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that after petitioning the Legislature through his representative, TD Singleton, and his petition rejected, as not agreeable to law, he was deprived of the necessary prove to enable him to petition Congress, and was also informed there would be no use in doing so.

Sworn to before me 20th November 1837 S/ RG Ferrell, CCS

S/ Archibald Campbell

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The Committee on pensions to which was referred the petition of Archibald Campbell praying a pension, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration and recommend that the prayer thereof be granted, and that he be placed upon the Pension Roll of this state

S/ PC Caldwell, Chairman

[Note: The balance of the papers in this document indicate the payment to Archibald Campbell of an annuity of \$60 per annum the 1st commencing in June 1838 and the last dated April 30th, 1846.]