Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James McCammon R6604 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of South Carolina Chester District

On this 27th day of March A.D. 1857, Before me James McDaniel Judge of Ordinary for the District of Chester and State of South Carolina, which court is a Court of Record, Personally appeared Capt. Hugh McCammon a resident of Chester District aged 64 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 July 4th 1836 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.

That this declarant on behalf of himself and Jonathan McCammon only surviving children of James & Mary McCammon deceased declares that his Father James McCammon was a private and Lieut. of Cavalry in the Army of the Revolution SC Militia and was generally in service from the Snow Campaign¹ in 1775 until the close of the war in the militia and State Troops but to give the particulars of said service declarant cannot or the names of all his company and field officers but will give those as he understands and believes to wit Capt. Joseph Brown in the Snow Campaign General Richardson [Richard Richardson] in 1775 he then went over into Waxhaw now Lancaster District where he married Mary Craig and shortly after went into service Capt. Coffee [Henry Coffey], General Sumter [Thomas Sumter], Captains Brackett [William Brocket] and Neely [George Neely] Col. Kimball, until 1781, when enlisted in Capt. Moore's Company in the State Troops, Col. Middleton for which service he was to get a Negro, and was in the battles of Hanging Rock [August 6, 1780], siege of Charleston, Sumter's defeat [Battle of Fishing Creek, August 18, 1780] and Eutaw Springs [August 8, 1781] and was generally in service until the close of the war as above stated.

The Declarant further states that his father and said mother Mary Craig were married in 1776 or 1777, as they had two children at the time of Col. Beaufort [sic, Buford] was defeated in 1780 [Battle of the Waxhaws, May 29, 1780]⁶ who were both sick with the smallpox and has often heard his mother say that his father was in service at one time for eighteen months and that as husband and wife they lived together until the death of the said James McCammon which occurred in Chester District in 1810, and that his mother Mary McCammon departed this life in the same District, on the 8th day of July 1840 not having intermarried after the death of her said husband.

¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution snow campaign.html

² http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of hanging rock.html

³ http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/

⁴ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of fishing creek.html

⁵ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of eutaw springs.html

⁶ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of waxhaws.html

Declarant has no record evidence of the service of his said Father nor does he know any person now living that was in the Revolution, that could prove service, and cannot say whether his father ever had a Commission or whether he acted as Lieut. by appointment but that his father's services were well known in Chester District and duly appreciated as he and his brothers, Matthew, William, John and Hugh were always regarded as very brave men and all done good service.

Declarant further says that there was a record of the marriage [&] of the births of his Father and Mother's children as well as their deaths which is lost, or mislaid, but if found will be sent to sustain this claim, and thinks it will be found, and for the prosecution of this my said claim I do hereby constitute and appoint A. S. Wallace of York District SC with full powers of substitution, to prosecute this my said claim with all powers usually conferred before the Department of the Interior war Courts of Claims, to file additional evidence and argument and receive the certificates which issue, which certificates I wish made payable to the living children, and all other acts, and deeds that I myself could do, were personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney and agent shall lawfully do in the premises which Power is hereby fully acknowledge, and Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal as well as sworn to and subscribed the same in open Court. The day and year above written. S/ James McDaniel, J.O.C.D.

S/H. McCammon

[David Wier, 76, son of George Weir, 7 gave a supporting affidavit giving hearsay evidence as to the service of the veteran and his brothers during the Revolutionary war. Elizabeth Weir, 55, gave a similar supporting affidavit. John McFadden, 73, and Elizabeth McFadden, 70, gave similar supporting affidavits.]

[p 17] No. 571

Book R. Issued the 15th of June 1785 to Mr. James McCammon for 12 pounds 15 shillings Sterling for sundries for militia use in 1780 – 1781 and 1783 per Account Audited

Principal £12.15 Annual Interest £0.17.10

No. 11 15th June '85

R. 571

Mr. James I Cameron his Account of Sundries for Militia use in 1780, 1781 & 1783 Amounting to £22.9.3 1 /₄

N. B. A Horse and Saddle charged £68. curry. or £9.14.3 ¼ Stg. Included in said Amount is not Certified

State of South Carolina Dr.

Commencement of Time

July 1st 1780 To James A Cameron for Service done

£ S D.

Forty nine days in Captain Campbell Company a horseman 20S pr day

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⁷ George Weir S9528

	14 days under Captain George Neely		
	horseman 20S pr day	14	
April 28 th			
1781	42 days under Captain Brocket Serg.		
	12/6 per day	26	5
		89	5
June 6 th			
1783	One Horse appraised	55	
	One Saddle	<u>13</u>	
		$\overline{14}1$	
		25	5
	157—5	167	5
	22—9—3 1/4		

Waxhaw August the 5th 1785

To the Commissioners of the Treasury – I do hereby empower Henry Coffey to receive my indented Certificate, the sum of 9 pounds Sterling.

Given under my hand per me

S/ James McComon [sic]

. . . .

South Carolina Camden District: This day William McCamont and William Hamelton personally appeared before me one of the ye States Justices appointed to keep the Peace in said District, and made oath as the Law directs that they the Deponent knew a certain James McCamont [sic] to be possessed of a Brown Bay Horse and that he ye sd. McCamont lost him at Sumpters Surprise, they likewise further swear that they believe the sd. Horse to be worth 55 Pounds. – Likewise 1 Saddle and one musket and the Saddle appraised at thirteen Pounds, the Musket appraised to ten pounds and further they say not.

Sworn to before me this _th of June 1783

S/ Jas. Knox JP

..... 1780

June 25th

to

August 27th To 63 Days in the Cavalry under Captain

Henery Coffey [sic] with General Sumter

at 20S/pr Day 63.0.0

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Comptroller General's Office

Columbia April 23rd, 1857

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy from the Records of this Office, and I further certify that it appears by the "Pay Roll of Captain Francis Moore's Troop in the 2nd Regiment State Dragoons Commanded by Colonel Charles Myddleton 18th April 1782" that "James McCamon [sic] served 10 months as private in said Troop commencing May.

Given under my hand

No Seal of Office S/ W. M. R. Huntt

Dep. Comp. Genl.

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁸ relating to James McCammon Audited Account Microfilm file No. 4892

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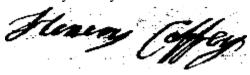
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[Note: this file contains the originals of the documents certified by the Comptroller General in transcribed above. In addition it contains the following documents.]

[p 5]

Received the 15th June 1785 the full amount of the within Account in a Treasury Indent No. 571 Are by Virtue of an Order for James McCammon.

S/ Henery Coffey



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Waxhaw August the 5th 1785

To the Commissioners of the Treasury

I do hereby Empower Henery Coffey to Receive my Indented Certificate the Sum Nine pounds Sterling. Given under my hand

S/ James McCamon



I know the truth of the above Account & therefor do Certify that S/ Robt. Montgomery, JP

[p 7: Printed form of Indent No. 571 Book R but the image is almost totally illegible]

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Mr. James McCamon

[No.] 38 [Book] O

His Account of 63 Days Militia duty on Horseback in 1780 Amounting to £9 Sterling

Ex^d. J. M^c. A. G. [Examined by John McCall, Adjutant General]

Received Columbia the 1^{st} January 1791 from Commissioner Treasury the amount of the within Account in an Indent No. 38 Book O per Order

S/W. R. Davis

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⁸ 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.

[p 12] Sir

you will be pleased to Deliver what ever may be in the office belonging to me to WR Davis & his Receipt Shall be your Discharge in full for the same this 11th December 1790

S/ James McCammon

James Mlamonon 38.6