

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Henry Holland SC3948
Audited Account No. 3688C

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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. 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. 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.]

[Note: The image of the following document as posted online is frustratingly faint and very difficult to discern. Consequently, the following transcription has many gaps. If anyone has a better copy of the document and is willing to share it with me, I will transcribe it and post it online. It appears to be of significant importance.]

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State of South Carolina Edgefield District

To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives

The Petition of Henry Holland humbly Sheweth that your Petitioner was drafted in the fall of the year 1775 under Captain William Cashwell [? William Caswell?] and was attached to General Ash's [John Ashe's] Corps and marched from Duplin County North Carolina, and served nine months part of the time at Wilmington and Brunswick [text too faint to discern] and part of the time in this State, was at [significant portion of text too faint to discern] General Ashe when he was defeated [Battle of Briar Creek, March 3, 1779]² at Brier Creek in the State of Georgia, after the defeat your Petitioner returned home and remained there between three and four years when he was again Drafted and [text too faint to discern] months in this State, part of the time under Capt. Benjamin Crawford, who was cashiered, was afterwards placed among the Regulars and did duty amongst them the remainder of his time, and was at the Battle of Stono Ferry in June 1779 [June 20, 1779]³, after that Battle and his time expiring, your Petitioner returned home to North Carolina, and was not long there before he was again drafted under Capt. James Love and Lieut. John Glassgow the other Officers names your Petitioner does not remember; was attached to General Gates's [Horatio Gates'] Army at Hanging Rock, and marched with them and was at the Battle of Camden in August 1780 [August 15-16, 1780]⁴. After the misfortunes of that day, and the Army being dispersed, your Petitioner's time not being

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) 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. The "SC" file number 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.

² Briar Creek March 3, 1779 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790304-briar-creek/>

³ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html

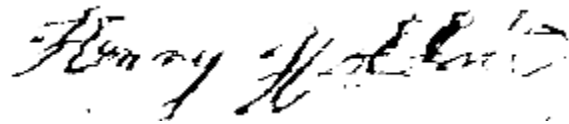
⁴ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html

out, not being able to join with Capt. Love and Lieut. Glasgow [sic] (who were afterwards killed by the Tories at Wilmington) your Petitioner joined himself with Capt. Jonathan Taylor's company for the [page 2 of the petition: even poorer quality image than the first page] remainder of the time, [text too faint to discern] your Petitioner served five months in this service [a very significant portion of the text is too faint to discern].

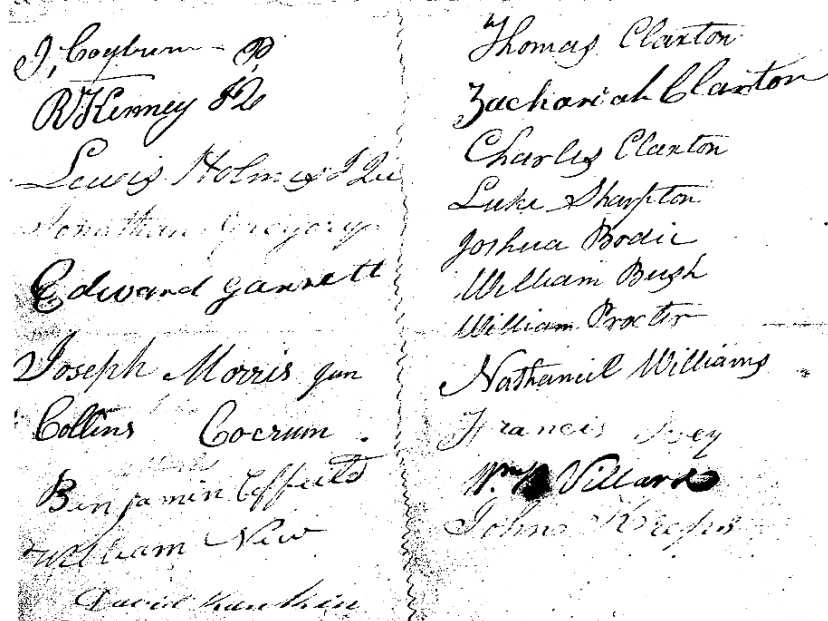
Your petitioner states that it is eighteen months in all that he served the States in the Revolutionary War, the greatest part of which time was in this State that he [text too faint to discern] during that period, he never received any certificate or documents from his Officers so that he could prove his services, and what [a very significant portion of the document is too faint to discern].

Your petitioner was 84 years of age on the 28th Day of this month (October) [text too faint to discern] Petitioner has seen better days, was [text too faint to discern] receiving any compensation for his services but now he is reduced to poverty and unable to help himself, his Wife [text too faint to discern] Children dispersed, and no means left him but to [word too faint to discern] your assistance, Your Petitioner has been a Citizen of this District for nearly twenty two years and petitions your Honorable body that you will take his case into consideration, and grant him some compensation to support him for the remainder of his days which cannot be long, according to the course of nature, your petitioner looks to you with confidence as the Representatives of a Free State where Independence [page 3 of the petition] has contributed [text too faint to discern] by granting this his humble request, your Petitioner will ever pray.

S/ Henry Holland



[p 5: Image of a very faint document which is an affidavit in support of the petition in which the affiants state that the petitioner is a good Citizen, honest and industrious and that they believe the substance of the petition to be true. This affidavit is dated October 1828, the date being too faint to discern. The signatures below are those of the signatories to this affidavit.



J. Coyleman - D	Thomas Claxton
W. Hervey D	Zachariah Claxton
Lewis Holmes D	Charles Claxton
Jonathan Gregory	Luke Shampton
Edward Gannett	Joshua Boodie
Joseph Morris Jun	William Bough
Collins Coern	William Proctor
Benjamin Effects	Nathaniel Williams
William New	Francis Jey
David Harrison	W. Villars
	John Wicp

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South Carolina Edgefield District } Personally came Henry Holland before me J. Cogburn 1 of
the Justices assigned to keep the peace for said District and made oath as the law Directs that the
within is a True Statement of his services to the best of his knowledge.

Sworn to before me the

20th of October

1828

S/ J. Cogburn, JP

S/ Henry Holland

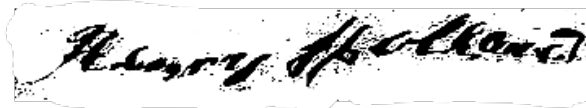
A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Henry Holland".

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Supplement to Henry Holland's petition

Your Petitioner has thought proper to inform your Honorable Body, by this supplement of circumstances which were omitted in the body of his petition; that your Petitioner has been [undeciphered word] on the Poor List by the Commissioners of the Poor of this District about four years ago, that your Petitioner received from them \$20 per annum for the space of two years, and have not received from them any money for the two years last past, the reason of which was alleged that all Paupers were to be maintained in the Poor House; accordingly, your Petitioner went there last Winter but owing to [text too faint to discern] regulations of the place your Petitioner being accustomed to quietness and retirement he found it impossible to stay there, in his present forlorn and helpless situation; whereupon your Petitioner has since applied to the Commissioners for relief, but has never received any, and has ever since lived on bounty of Friends and acquaintances this being his case, and the idea being suggested by some of his Friends of petitioning for Legislative aid for services rendered in the Revolutionary War, has induced your Petitioner to come forward and make an appeal to the feelings of your Honorable Body for that relief which is aged & helpless condition requires. Annual Petitioner will ever pray.

S/ Henry Holland

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Henry Holland", enclosed in a rectangular box.

[Note: The cover sheet indicates that this petition was rejected but no reason for its rejection is contained in this file.]