The Public of South Carolina

To Samuel Carson

To one horse value
£21.15.0

To one Do value
28.5.6

Sterling £50.0.6

State of South Carolina
Ninety Six District

James Cunningham & William Adams Freeholders made oath before me that they knew the two horses charged for, said to be the property of Samuel Carson, the first of which the value at twenty-one pounds fifteen Shillings Sterling, the second they value at twenty-eight pounds five Shillings & six pence Sterling

S/ James Cunningham
S/ William Adams

Sworn to the [illegibly faint] January 1784
[illegibly faint signature of the JP]

Samuel Carson also made oath before me that the black horse with a large Star, branded on the near buttock & something like where the original obliterated appraised the above at £21.5 Sterling he lost in the Public Service about the last of September 1780, when retreating from the first siege of Augusta & also that a Sorrel horse with a Blaze, both his hind feet white, no brand remembered, also his just right & property was stole or lost at the last siege of Augusta about the last of May 1780, appraised the above at £28.5.6 Sterling – which horses were both lost in the Public Service as aforesaid, & not through any carelessness, neglect or misbehavior of him the said Deponent, & that notwithstanding his best endeavors he has never since got either of the said horses, or any restitution in lieu thereof

S/ Sml. Carson

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. 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.


To the Honorable the President & Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

The Petition of Jane Moore [sic] formerly the Widow of Samuel Carson of old Ninety Six District in behalf of herself & the other Heirs of the said Samuel Carson humbly Sheweth.

That your petitioner’s former husband Samuel Carson left on account against the State for this sum of £50.0.6 Sterling which appears to have been properly attested & certified the year 1784 & which is herewith presented Whether the same has ever been returned to the proper Officers of this State, or not is unknown to your petitioner, her Husband dying shortly after the Account was made out, & she being a poor ignorant Woman has never made any proper application for her Right (or at least if any has been made, it is unknown to her) But she hopes the length of time will not ban her Just claim, under her peculiar circumstances. She therefore hopes, the Honorable Legislature will take the case into consideration, & grant such sum as to Justice doth appertain. And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray

S/ Jean Moore

December 12th 1810

Report on the petition of Jane Moore [sic]

Comptroller General

Resolved that the Senate agreed to the report.

Ordered that the same be referred to the Comptroller General – By order of the Senate

S/ J Murphy, C. S. [Clerk of the Senate]

Committee on the petition of Jane Moore [sic] praying payment of a certain Sum of money for two horses, one sold in the service, by her former husband Samuel Carson, and the other lost on his return from the Siege of Augusta during the Revolutionary War, Said to horses was valued at fifty-six pounds & six pence Sterling

Report

That the Comptroller General be Authorized to examine the Books of the Treasurer, and report at the next sitting of the Legislature whether the claim has ever been settled in behalf of Jane Moore or her former Husband

S/ Samuel Fickling, Chairman

South Carolina Office of Comptroller General

Dec. 1811

To the Honorable Samuel Warren President and the other Members of the Honorable the Senate

The Comptroller General to whom was referred the petition of Jane Moore Widow of Samuel Carson praying payment of a Claim of her husband against the State for Services during the War
Respectfully reports

That he has examined the books of the Treasury and find that on for September 1784 an Indent was issued No. 168 Book J to Andrew Love formerly a member of the Legislature under an order from Samuel Carson for the Sum of £30.17.10 Sterling as appears by the Order and receipt accompanying the report

The Comptroller General again respectfully takes leave to suggest to the legislature the propriety of barring Claims of such long-standing as it is extremely difficult at this day to obtain Evidence of the payment of such demands

Respectfully submitted by
S Thos. Lee, Comptroller General

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To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives

Your petitioner Jane Moore [sic] formally Jane Carson humbly Sheweth – that her former husband Samuel Carson – was one among the first to assert and assist in the obtaining the Independence of the United States of America – and that he served almost constantly in the different Campaigns under the officers Engaged in defense of this country and that your petitioner’s husband took very sick at the siege of Augusta – and after lingering for some time died and left your petitioner to mourn his loss and the loss of nearly all her property which had been taken by the Tories – and that the officers under whom he served did make out a return of the services which Indent has been drawn by some person unknown to your petitioner and that after repeated trials your petitioner cannot recover[?] her Indent –

Your petitioner prays your Honorable Body to place her on the pension list and thereby prevent her old gray hairs from going down to the grave which it soon must do with sorrow – and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray
S/ Jane More, X her mark [sic]

South Carolina Abbeville District} personally came Jane More before me the subscribing justice and on oath saith that the above petition contains the truth and nothing but the truth. Sworn to this 16th day of October 1817 before me S/ Jane More, X her mark
S/ Jas.

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Jane Moor [sic] praying to be placed on the pension list

Report

that they have taken the same into consideration & recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted & that she be placed on the pension list and be allowed to draw her pension from the 1st day of March last December 9th, 1817 S/ John Hopkins, Chairman
Committee pensions

[pp 39-42 reflect annual payments to the widow of $60 from April 27, 1818 through May 30th 1833. The vouchers are all made payable to “Jane Moore.”]