## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Samuel Messer SC2870 Audited Account No. 5195A

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Papers left by Mr. Kelly Entered relative to Captain Samuel Messers for R. Hampton June 23, 1792

Rejected by the Board

Given Mr. Burckard a Certificate of detention per Order of Mr. Kelly July 13, 1792

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South Carolina Orangeburg District Before me John Thomas Fairchild one of the Justices of the peace for the Said district Personally appeared Samuel Messer who being duly Sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposith and saith that he never Received an Indent from the Said State for Services & Supplies during the Late War due to him by the said State Sworn to before me

this 20<sup>th</sup> March 1792

S/ J. Thos. Fairchild, JP

S/ Samuel Messer [very faint signature]

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I do hereby Certify that I have received Account and Vouchers Against the public from Samuel Messer to the amount of [inkblot obscures text] 9.0.2 which I shall return to the auditor's office June 5, 1783

S/ Wm Arthur Audt.

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South Carolina Richland County} Personally appeared before me Samuel Messer who being duly Sworn on the holy evangelist of Almighty God maketh oath that he gave in to William

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <a href="http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/">http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/</a>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the <a href="Just take me to the search page">Just take me to the search page</a> 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.

Arthur late auditor for Orangeburg District accounts to the amount of Eighty pounds & upwards, which accounts was for Supplies & Militia duty, & the deponent further sayeth not.

Sworn to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 1791

S/ Peter Bremar, P.R.C.

S/ Saml. Messer
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Captain Messer's claim by Colonel Hampton see within

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postponed by the Board 30 June 1792 – produced Copy of a pay Bill – Certified by Lieutenant John Thomas Fairchild one of the Claimants – it appears in Mr. Waring's list of Indents Issued that an Indent is issued to Mr. Fairchild – another for £7 to Mr. Samuel Messer, & another made out for the Sum of £57/10.8 – therefore it [undeciphered word or abbreviation] be in this Uncertainty Rejected by the Board

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Captain Samuel Messer, pay Bill, for himself, John Thomas Fairchild, Wheadon Pines & Thomas Fox, as privates, amounting together to £57.10.8 ½ Sterling, these accounts [word too faint to discern] be made out separately, or a proper order produced assigning their right to Captain Messer, attested before a Magistrate, also the Account dated & sworn to it appears that Wheaton Pines has received an Indent No. 612 [Book] T for £6.8.6 ¾ for Militia duty in Colonel Anderson's return is not this for the above service – Give a Copy to Colonel Hampton – April 7, 1792

[p 8] Charleston Commissioners Office April 7, 1792 [repeat of the above transcribed text on page 7]

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80 pay Bill for Captain Samuel Messer's Company doing duty at all Orangeburg in Colonel Heatly [Lt. Col. Charles Heatley's] Regiment from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April to the 20<sup>th</sup> June 1779

Names	Ranks	Days post on Duty	first to the 20 of	No. of Days	at per day	[Total]
Samuel Messer	Capt.	1779		81	£3	£243.9.8
		1 April				
John Thomas Fairchild <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt.	Do		81	42/	182.3.8
		April				
Wheaton Pines <sup>3</sup>	Private	[Illegible]		18	32/6	029.5.0

<sup>2</sup> I could find no claim filed by an officer of this name among the SC Audited Accounts

Thomas Fox <sup>4</sup>	Do		18	32/6	029.5
					£484.3.6

The original was Sworn to before John Fairchild Esquire deceased and Certified by James Beams Lt. Colonel under whom the duty was done

Before me John Thomas Fairchild one of the Justices

South Carolina Orangeburg District before me John Thomas Fairchild 1 of the Justices of the peace for said District appeared the above mentioned Captain Samuel Messer and after being Duly Sworn Declarative on his oath that to the best of his knowledge the above pay Bill is a true Copper [sic] of the bill as he Returned to William Arthur Esquire auditor of the District aforesaid Sworn to before me this 27 June 1792

S/ J. Thos. Fairchild, JP

S/ Saml. Messer

I also Certify as I was the Lieutenant above mentioned and do believe the above to be a true Coppy of the original pay Bill Returned to William Arthur Esquire

S/J. Thos. Fairchild



[p 10] Gentlemen

Be Pleased to deliver to Edward Kelly of Orangeburg District and Lexington County Indents to the amount of my Account Returned to the Auditor General by William Arthur Esquire for my Services as a Captain in the Militia Eighty one days (& Sundry provisions Supplied my Company [)] & his Receipt shall be your Discharge for the same

S/ Samuel Messer

To William Hort &

B. Wearing Esquires Treasurers

June yt 4<sup>th</sup> 1792

Witness

S/J Thomas Fairchild, JP

## Gentlemen

Please to deliver to Captain Samuel Messer Indents to the Amount of my Account Returned to the Auditor General by William Arthur Esquire for 81 days duty as a Lieutenant in Captain Messer's Company as I have this day sold them to him for Value received & do Authorize him to Transfer the same to any person whatever for his own use.

S/ J Thomas Fairchild 4 June 1792

To William Hort &

B. Wearing Esquires Treasurers

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Please to deliver the Amount of the within Order to Edward Kelly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Whedon Pine SC2871 This man made no claim for service under Capt. Samuel Messer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Thomas Fox SC2869

## S/ Samuel Messer

Witness

S/ J Thomas Fairchild, JP

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Gentlemen

Mr. John Burckard the bearer hereof will call at your Office for a Receipt of these papers I lodged Respecting Captain Samuel Messer's and William Robison's Claims which I hope you will kind enough to give him

I am with due respect your Humble Servant

S/ E Kelly 2 July 1792

To the Commissioners of the Treasury

Gave Mr. Burckard a Certificate of the Detention of the above papers in this Office Commissioners Office July 13, 1792