Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Benjamin Huff SC4083 Audited Account No. 3839

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Orangeburg April 23 – 1782

Know all by whome [sic] it may Concern that I Benjaman Huff [sic] Late a Sergent [Sergeant] in the Service of the State troops of South Carolina have due to me one Negro² for the said service which Negro I have bargained and sold unto James McGowen to be delivered to the said James at the time when the said Negros is drawn or paid to the persons so entitled and I do warrant and defend the sale of the said Negro under him the said James his heirs and assigns against all Clame [Claim] or Clames [Claims] that shall or may be made by any person or persons whatsoever and as being senseble [sic] of my right I do bargain to and with him the said James to be at the time and place when and where the said Negros is to be delivered or otherwise my order by which the said James may receive the Said Negro without further Trouble to all and every part of the above Sale and agreement I bind myself my heirs executors administrators and assigns in the Just and full sum of Sixty pounds Starling [Sterling] money to be redused [reduced] to compliance – delivering the Negro being the Conditions as witness my hand the day and year above written

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S/ Wm Penney [William Penney]

S/ Benjamin Huff

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² Men who enlisted for ten months in April 1781 in the SC State Troops of Light Dragoons under Gen. Thomas Sumter were promised wages payable in slaves taken from the Tories. Such 'pay' was known as "Sumter's Wages." When that horrific form of payment could not be made because too few slaves were confiscated from the Tories, the SC Legislature authorized the payment in pounds Sterling deemed to equal the value of the slaves not delivered. This veteran is listed as having served as a Sergeant in the company of Captain Jacob Barnett in Lieutenant Colonel Henry Hampton's regiment of Light Dragoons. See B226