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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Samuel Hunter SC4143 Audited Account No. 3889

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[p 2] [No.] 1719 [Book] X

Samuel Hunter for 518 days Duty as a Sergeant Major of Horse, under the Command of Col. John Marshel and General Sumter [Thomas Sumter], from 20th March 1779 to 10 September 1781 alternately at 25/ [25 shillings old South Carolina Currency] per day is

[old South Carolina] Currency £647.10 Also for a Mare, Saddle & Bridle taken by the Enemy at General Sumter's Defeat 18 August 1780² per app. [appraisal] at \$80 130 £777.10 Add more on the last duty 32 days at 25/ 40 £817.10 Deduct less on Horse charge being app.d in his first acct. (which was sent in No. 27) at \$70 16.5 Currency £801.5 Stg. [Sterling] £114.9.3 1/4

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

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Statement of Samuel Hunter's Account

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² Fishing Creek https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_fishing_creek.html

114 days duty as a Sergeant Major of Horse in Col.	
Kershaw's [Joseph Kershaw's] Regiment under the Command	
of Major John Marshel from 20 March 1779 to 10 June 1780	

alternately at 25/per day £142.10

404 days Ditto as a Ditto both Ditto under the

Command of General Sumter from 1 July 1780 to

10 September 1781 25/per day 505.0

A Mare Saddle & Bridle taken by the Enemy at

General Sumter's defeat 18 August 1780 and appraised at \$80 $\frac{130}{£777.10}$

Add more on last duty 32 days at 25/ $\frac{40}{£817.10}$

Deduct less on Horse &c being appraised in his 1^{st} account

(& was sent in No. 27) at \$70

Currency £801.5

Stg. £114.9.3 ¼

"No allowance for a Sergeant Major of Horse, but for a Trumpet Major... \$11 per month – Continental Pay Sergeant and State Calvary at \$30 per month ["]

NB. The whole of the above time is 18 months which at the latter allowance is \$540 or £126 Stg. Continental Pay \$398 or £46.4 Stg.

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Received 3rd March 1786 full Satisfaction for the within Account in Indent 1719 Book X per order

S/ Daniel Smith

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March 2nd No. 27

Mr. Samuel Hunter his account of 456 Days Militia Duty in

Charged £342.0.0 Sterling £48.17.1 ½

NB This account has no date when the duty was performed neither is it certified & James Simpson does not sign as a magistrate nor is his name in the List published in Childs & Co. Gazette

Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by T. W. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

To be certified S/ED

Account of time [text obliterated] the public Service of South Carolina as Sergeant Major appointed by Colonel Kershaw

Mr. Samuel Hunter in publick Service 15 Months

456 Days at [illegible]/per Day

£342

South Carolina Camden District} Samuel Hunter Makes oath before Me that he was Employed in the publick Service of said State as Sergeant Major under Col. Kershaw and that the time which he served Included the term he hath been disabled by a wound Received in said Service amounts to fifteen months for which time he hath never Rec'd Satisfaction Sworn the 17th September 1781

S/ James Simpson

S/ Samuel Hunter



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Rec'd 3rd March 1786 full satisfaction for this account in an Indent No. 1719 X per order S/ Daniel Smith

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March 2nd

No. 27

Mr. Samuel Hunter his account of Mare, Saddle and Bridle &c Charged \$70 £16.6.8 Stg.

NB There is no certificate for the above articles, & the appraisers & Justices name appear to be in one handwriting.

Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by T. W. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

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September 17, 1781

Appraisement of a Mare Saddle and Bridle and Gun the property of Mr. Samuel Hunter which he lost when General Sumter was Surprised Near McDonald's Ford the 18th Day of August 1780 to one Bay Mare 5 years old 14 hands high

Branded near Shoulder and buttocks SD

57 Silver Dollars

To Saddle Bridle and Gun 20 Do.

\$70

Stg. £16.6.8

S/ Andrew McElwain S/ Samuel Dunlap

Andrew Millwain-

State of South Carolina

District of Camden} The above is Returned on oath of the Appraisers to be a Just Estimate of said articles according to the best of Their Knowledge they being well acquainted with the said articles.

S/ James Simpson, JP

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Charleston January 27, 1786

Gentlemen

Please deliver my Indent to Daniel Smith, & his receipt shall be a Sufficient S/ Samuel hunter

Samuel hunter

The Commissioners of the Treasury

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South Carolina

I Samuel Hunter late of the State Troops of the said State do hereby empower John Landford Dart Esquire to receive from the Treasury of the said State or from the Commissioners appointed to Settle the Treasury Accounts, what^{ever} Indent or Indents may be due to me for my services in said Troops, and by this present writing do agree to ratify and confirm any receipt or receipts which he may give for the same – Witness my hand and Seal this 4th day of February 1792

S/ Samuel Hunter

Samuel Hunter

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To the Senate the petition of Samuel Hunter

8th December 1792

Committee

General Pinckney

Major Smith

Colonel Brandon

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

The Humble Petition of Samuel Hunter Sheweth

That your petitioner served as a Soldier in Captain Giles's [James Giles'] Troop of Light Dragoons in General Sumter's Brigade for the Term of Ten Months, of which he got a Certificate from Captain Giles which he delivered to General Sumter shortly after the British Troops evacuated Charleston [December 1782]; that at the Time when the Commissioners called on those who had served in that Brigade to make a Demand of their Claims, your petitioner applied to them for an Indent for his services, but was informed that he was not named in the Return of his Company & that he ought to make out his Account & have it certified by one of the Officers of the said Brigade, upon which, as Captain Giles was not then nor has he ever been since in this State to your Petitioner's Knowledge, he got such a Certificate³ from John Mills Esquire who was a Captain in that Brigade which your Petitioner also delivered to General Sumter, who then told him he would procure for him the Indent to which he was entitled, but your Petitioner believes that General Sumter must have forgotten to do so, as it does not appear from the Books of the Treasury that any Indent was ever taken out for him; your Petitioner

³ This document is not among the documents still in this file.

further shows unto your Honorable House that he has lately applied for the Indent to which he felt himself entitled but was told he could not expect to receive it because he applied too late; he therefore humbly prays your Honorable House to take the particular Circumstances of his Case into Consideration & as he has done all which he thought necessary or which his Infirmities & residence in Georgia would permit him to do in Order to procure his Indent, he hopes you will Honorable House will grant him that small Relief in the earning of which he got so wounded in his right Arm that it is now but of little Service to him.

And Your Petitioner will ever pray &c

Sungel Hunter

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The Committee to whom the Petition of Samuel Hunter was referred Report

That they have considered the same & examined to Captain Mills who Certified that the account was given in to the proper office within the time limited by Law, they also find that the allegations set forth in his petition are true, they therefore recommend that provision be made for paying to the Petitioner the Sum due to him by the Public if the Commissioners on Public Accounts on inspecting General Sumter's & Colonel Richardson's Accounts find that he hath not already received compensation —

[p 18: Report above dated 13th December 1792]

[p 20: Certificate dated May 12, 1795 delivered to Samuel Hunter in the amount of £86.10.8 "for his 10 months Service in General Sumter's Brigade in 1781 & 1782 agreeable to the above Resolution; with Interest from the 1 April 1783...."]

[p 21: Printed form of Indent No. 133 Book A dated May 12, 1795 "delivered to Mr. Samuel Hunter this INDENTED CERTIFICATE, for the Sum of Eighty Six pounds ten Shillings & eight pence Sterling, being for his Services in General Sumter's Brigade in the year 1781 & 1782, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislature passed the 19th December 1792 as per the Commissioners Certificate for Settling Public Accounts No. 166 bearing Interest from the 1st April 1783."]

[p 22: Reverse of the above Indent bearing only the following endorsement:

Charleston So. Carolina May 13, 1795

I hearwith assign over to Simeon Theus the within Indent for Eighty Six pounds ten Shillings & eight pence value received

Witness

S/ John Landford Dart, JP QU

S/ Samuel Hunter