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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Richard Andrews Rapley SC4697 Audited Account No. 6247

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[Note: This claimant does not include a claim for military service. The provisions for which the claimant seeks reimbursement, however, resulted in a receipt or receipts and/or certificates which contain important information as to troop movements, locations and/or timing. Although its failure to include a claim for military service would ordinarily exclude this claim from inclusion in this database, it is thought that the information contained in one or more receipts is worthy of inclusion in our database.]

[p 3: example of the claimant's signature:

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Received November 1783 of Richard Andrews Rapley Esquire forty four Bushels of Indian Corn on account of the State for the use of the Men on Duty at Genl. Pickens's [Andrew Pickens'] Block-House

S/ Matthew Finlay, Lut. [Lieutenant]

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Received November 1781 of Richard Andrews Rapley Esquire Twenty eight Indigo Plank (half Wore) for the Public Service in erecting a Block-House at General Pickens's Plantation.

S/ Matthew Finlay, Lut.

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I do certify that the Bacon within mentioned was furnished by Mr. Rapley for the Troops under my Command in May 1781

S/ W. Hampton [Wade Hampton]

Lt. Col. S. T. [Lieutenant Colonel State Troops]



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The United States of America Dr. [Debtor] To R. A. Rapley

1781

May To 12 Negros & their Hoes impressed for 7 days by R. Walker for

Siege of Fort Motte at 1/4 5.12

1782

Decr. To 4 do impressed by Captain Lawson to work at Colonel

Thomson's with the Artificers of the Army 7 days 1.17.6

1783

Feby To 3 do doJohn McCord to carry a boat with Corn

down the river for the Continental Army .12

To 13 head of Cattle drove to General Greene's [Nathanael Greene's]

Army by Edward McKoy during the Siege of Ninety Six

and impressed from me 50.1

Capt. Hugh Wardlaw gave me information that Edward McKoy told him that he the said McKoy had drove 13 head of Cattle to General Greene's Army during the Siege of Ninety Six for which he had given no receipts & the said McKoy being out of the Country I have no method of obtaining the receipt & the like number of Cattle which Capt. Wardlaw took from me & gave receipts for, were for the use of General Pickens brigade, & wasn't no part of those driven by McKoy

S/R A Rapley

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Col. Candler [William Candler of GA] impressed the Mare & two Geldings during his March with Cols Few [Benjamin Few] & Twiggs [John Twiggs]² at the time they marched into South Carolina at the end of the year 1780 the mare was remarkably fine & high bloodied & the horses were extraordinary good. Col. W. Hampton impressed the Bacon during the Siege of Fort Motte at the Congaree & took it from my plantation near Fort Motte. Mr. F. Felts [Frederick Felts] impressed the Corn as it stood in the haises [?] measuring 1993 Bushels of which he only gave me a receipt for the Quality carried to the mill being 1026 Bushels (charged on my last Account) & the remaining 967 Bushels by Waggoners & different parties was taken.

S/ R. A. Rapley

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² both these officers were officers in the Georgia militia's

I do Certify that in April May & June A.D. 1781 when the British Troops had possession of Ninety Six I was ordered by General Pickens with what of my Regiment I could embody to endeavor to Counteract the Enemy then Garrisoned at Ninety Six as aforesaid as possible. That during this period I was often supplied with Forage forward near three hundred Horses by Mr. Rapley's Plantation where Thomas Jefferies was Overseer. I believe both the amount of 1000 Bushels of Corn & 9000 Weight of Corn Blades & as Captain Samuel Moore had often a separate Command under my orders I make no doubt but he used the Single Beef within Charged as he is since dead. I believe I am Very right in certifying that the three first Articles Charged in the within Account the is the Corn, Corn Blades & single Beef, was received for the use of the public by myself & those under my command.

S/ Certify the 4th of September 1786 by

S/ Robert Anderson

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I do hereby Certify that Mr. Richard Andrews Rapley supplied the Continental Army with thirteen Beef Cattle during the Siege of Ninety Six in the year 1781 for which I have never before given any certificate.

S/ Hugh Wardlaw Q M. [Quarter Master]

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