Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Titus Lany SC4788 pp 13 Audited Account No. 4437

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[Book] Y [No.] 295 8 November 85 [1785]

Titus Lany for 40 days duty as Private horseman in Col. John Marshall's [Lt. Col. John

Marshel's] Regiment commencing in 2nd Nov. 1779

at $15/^2$ £30 Charged

add more $\underline{10}$ [old SC Currency] $\underline{£40}$

Sterling £5.14.3 ¾

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

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State of South Carolina To Titus Lany

Beginning November 2nd 1779}

Dr.

To forty days Service

Done the State as a horse,, man, in Colo. John Marshel's

Regiment of Militia at

fifteen Shillings per day old

Currency

Total in old Currency thirty

pounds

Certified by John Marsel/Colo.

John Marshel Colo

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² 15 shillings old South Carolina currency per day

South Carolina

Camden District Personally Appeared [before] Me William Welsh a justice for said District Titus Lany and duly Made oath that the Above account is just and true and that he never Received any satisfaction for the same nor any part thereof

Sworn to this 2nd of May 1785

before me S/ Wm Welsh, JP

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Received 8 of November 1785 full satisfaction for this Account in an Indent 295, Y

S/ Em. Brams

S/ Titus Lany, X his mark

[p 5: Printed form of Indent No. 295 Book Y]

[p 6: Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, and endorsement by the veteran of his right and title and interest in the Indent to Samuel Ducosta[?]]

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State of South Carolina

To the Honorable the President & Members of the Senate

The humble petition of Titus Lany Sheweth to your Honorable body, that he is now bending under the age of ninety winters – The time has been when his greatest activity & Vigor of youth would have served him in any capacity in the field of battles as well as any domestic Vocation – but as old age crept on apace, he found himself to be denied almost any bodily exertions – He once could cope with the Savage aboriginal & make him Couch [?] to his Superior powers in arms – The British too, to his Valor, & Strength had to Succumb; but those days are passed away & he has liberty & Independence to console him for all his privations, – The enemy of his Country has fled, the foe Vanquished, & we are now a people happy & free. You have a gift the most noble freedom was given to you by us who fought for your happiness, when you were dandled on your mother's knee, or following the more capricious employment of the hoop, – or the lope. It now devolves upon you in turn, to see that those who have done so much & suffered so great be not rendered unhappy by reason of their poverty, but [undeciphered word]³ as largely as you can on principal to their ease & comfort whilst they live. Were the Circumstances of your Petitioner such as to make him only comfortable, he would not have Detailed to you a history of his military Career, but as he is poor, he leans on the Services he has rendered to his Country to earn him a Charity from the Legislature of the State. Your Petitioner Served his Country in the Indian War. He served under Col. Thompson on a Scouting party to Key Wee, & on this Scout after the Indians his horse was Shoten from him, He also in the Indian War, drove a Waggon employed in the Service = In the Revolutionary war he Volunteered his Services with his waggon & team, under General Williams [sic, probably General Andrew Williamson], & was at the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] – This was a four months tour, with his waggon & team. He also was ordered for a considerable time on the Savannah River – He was then discharged; during all the



time that he was out with his waggon & team he never received any pay. That whilst he was out in the Camps, the Tories Came to his house & robbed him of everything they could find – Your Petitioner states that from his insanity by times his recollection is much impaired; There are many other routes & Skirmishes in which he was that he cannot satisfactorily describe, nor is there any one living near him that Can assist him in making a history of his Services – Suffice it to Say, that he never Struck from the perils of War, & Constantly assisted in Annoying the enemy when ever an opportunity offered.

Your petitioner until lately had a wife to solace him in his Old Age, but She lately died, which has greatly tended to increase his Cares & his troubles – He is now living with an only daughter, who is not able to Support him. But a few years more & he will be out of the way. Your petitioner therefore prays that you would in Charity grant him a pension & your petitioner will ever pray

Nov. 26, 1824

S/ Titus Lany, X his mark

State of South Carolina
Lancaster District}
Titus Lany Swears to the facts as set forth in his petition before me
26 Day of November 1824
S/ Tho. D. Barr, JP
S/ Titus Laney [sic], X his mark

South Carolina

Lancaster District}

John Lany states that he was small in the Revolutionary war, but has no doubt but that all the facts in the petition are true.

S/ John Lany, X his mark

[Note: documents in the file indicate that the veteran was paid a pension of \$60 per annum ending January 22, 1829 when an award of \$55 was made to the administrator of Titus Laney [sic] for 1828.]