Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts ¹ relating to Lewis Ledbetter SC4829 Audited Account No. 4483

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No. 102

[No.] 1817 [Book] X

Lewis Ledbetter for 169 days duty as a Horseman from 12th May 1780 to January 1783 alternately at 20/[20 shillings old South Carolina Currency per day]² and 60 days as Lieut. of Horse from ditto to ditto as above, the whole in Capt. Montgomery's [Capt. Robert Montgomery of the 2nd Spartan Regiment]³ Company Colonel Brandon's [Thomas Brandon's] Regiment

Amounting [to an old SC currency] £304

Sterling £43.8.6

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

Mr. Ledbetter Charges in one Account for 365 days duty 1780 & yet sends in a new Account charging for 169 days said also to be done alternately from 12 May 1780 &c

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The State of South Carolina

To Lewis Ledbetter

Dr.

To 169 Days Duty as private from the 12th of May 1780 to January 1783, alternately Per Pay Bill of Capt. Robert Montgomery & Certified per Col. Brandon at 20/ To 60 Days Duty as Lieut. of Horse from do. to do. Alternately - per Pay Bill

£169.0.0

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

This was the per diem pay rate for a militia man serving on horseback providing his own horse and equipment.

³ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/patriot_military_sc_captains.htm

135.0.0 £304 Stg. £43.8.6 3/4

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Rec'd 4th of March 1786 full satisfaction for the Within, in an Indent No. 1817 – X, per order S/ John Lindsey



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September 29th – 1785 Then Received of Richard Speake and John Lindsay [sic] in Co. Satisfaction for my Indents and do Request that the Commissioners of the Treasury of the said State of South Carolina will Deliver to said Speake and Lindsay the indents due to me with the interest as witness my hand

Test S/Wm Steen

S/ Lewis Ledbetter



To Messrs. Edward Blake & Peter Boquet Esgrs.

Union County} Personally appeared William Steen and made oath that he did see Lewis Ledbetter Signed his name and acknowledged the same to the above Instrument of writing. Sworn to this 4th day of October 1785

S/ John Henderson, JP

S/Wm Steen

[p 6: Printed form of indent No. 1817 Book X]

[p 7: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements by both Richard Speake and John Lindsey.]

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Lewis Ledbetter for 365 days duty as a private from 8th June 1780 to 8th June 1782 both days inclusive in Col. Brandon's Regiment as horseman

Charged Currency £365
add more 1 day at 20/ _____1
Currency £366
Stg. £52.5.6 34

"this Person has an account in No. 102 for Duty since the fall of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] amounting to £304.10/ Currency, Brandon's Regiment, Anderson's Return

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

There is only one Lewis Ledbetter in Brandon's Regiment Anderson's return, for £304 Currency, an Account for which was sent in, in No. 102 – this Account appears to include the same duty, & Certified by Col. Brandon – separate foot Col. Anderson's Return

S/J. Mc

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State of South Carolina to Lewis Ledbetter

to 365 Days Personal Service Done as a private from

the 8th Day of June 1780 to the 8th Day of June 1781

both Days Inclusive 365 days at £1 per Day

horse service

[undeciphered words or abbreviations]

Union County} Lewis Leadbetter [sic] personally came Before me and made oath as the law directs that the above account is Just and true as Stated against the publick is Just and true and Services therein returned was Dun and that he [undeciphered word] Did Receive Gotten part or parcel of them

Sworn before me September 26th 1785

S/Wm Kennedy, JP

S/ Lewis Ledbetter, X his mark

Dr.

£365

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I Do Certify the deuty was Dun by my orders and [undeciphered word with me personally S/ Thos. Brandon, Colo

Ledbetter pay bill

S/ Lewis Ledbetter

[Transcriber's note: For what it is worth, it appears to me that there were two veterans named Lewis Ledbetter who served: one who acted as both a private and later as a Lieut. and one who served only as a private. The Lieut. could sign his name and did so and the veteran who served only as a private was illiterate and unable to sign his name. Since no indent appears to have been issued to the veteran who claimed service only as a private, it appears to me that the confusion as to the identity of the claimants was not resolved.]