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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Lessley, Jr. SC4875 pp 9 Audited Account No. 4529

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[No. 17 Book O January 18, 1785]

Mr. John Lesley [sic] his account of Militia Duty as Private on Horse & Foot and for a Horse, Saddle &c lost in Militia Service in 1780 and 1781 the whole Charged

[old South Carolina currency] £211 Deduct disk Amount not Certified 80

Currency $\frac{£131}{}$

Stg. [Sterling] £18.14.3 1/4

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

Rec'd 18 January 1785 from the Commissioners of the Treasury an Indent No. 17 Book O for £18.14.3 ¼ in full Satisfaction for this Account By virtue of an order

S/ [signature obliterated and rendered illegible]

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State of South Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to John Lesley Junior

May the 8 Done foot man's Duty under Capt. George Dunlap £10

May the 281782 at S10 [10 shillings old SC currency] per Day say 20 days

June the 2 to Done horseman's duty under Capt. Geo. Dunlap

October at S 20 pr Day say 100 days £100

the 3 1780

feby the Done horseman's Duty under Maj. Thos. Thomson

15 to March [Thomas Thomson]

the ? 178? at S20 pr Day say 21 days £21

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.

Lost my horse at the fish dam ford² under the Command of Genl. Sumter [Thomas Sumter] \$\pm\$65 valued at £65
Likewise a Saddle, bridle saddle cloath &c $\frac{£15}{£211}$

Camden District hi John Lessly [sic] do swear that the above account against the publick is Just and true as it stands stated and that I never Received any value for the same Sworn this 22nd day of December 1783

before me

S/ John Clendenin, JP

S/ John Lessley

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The above service certified by me

S/ Geo. Dunlap, Capt.

Amount bro't down £211

two lost Articles

not certified 80

£131 Currency

or £18.14.3 ¼ Stg.

[p 4: John Barkley and James Johnston appraised the horse lost by John Lessley at 65 pounds

John Gamble and John White appraised the saddle, bridle, wallet, bell and saddle cloth at 15 pounds.

Porn White

[p 5] No. 538

Lib. [Book] X 29th August 1785

John Lessley's Account for pay due him as Forage Master from July 1, 1779 to May 12th 1780, 10 months, 11 days at \$30 per month \$311 is £72.11.5 Stg

² November 9, 1780 <u>https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_fishdam_ford.html</u>

By Cash received £412 reduced by Table is

1.11.2

balance £71.0.2 Stg.

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

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Gentlemen

Please deliver the Bearer Mr. Joseph Morrison my Indents due me from the State of South Carolina and you will oblige

Gentlemen

Your Humble Servant

S/ John Lessley

Peter Bocquet &

J. Mitchell Esquires Commissioners of the Treasury [Acknowledged 21st April 1786]

[Note: The rest of the documents in this file relate to a claim for forage provided for militia use.]