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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to James Spann [Span] SC5465 pp 3 Audited Account No. 7212

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[p 2: Printed form of Indent No. 5 Book M dated October 1, 1784 "delivered to Lieutenant James Span [sic] late of Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Hammond's Regiment State Troops this our INDENTED CERTIFICATE for the Sum of One hundred and forty one pounds Sterling being the Ballance of Pay and Bounty due him for services in that Regiment Together with Interest thereon from the 1st April 1782 per Resolution of General Assembly dated the 11th of March last &c."]²

[p 3: Reverse of the above Indent bearing the following endorsement among others:

Received 16 October 1786, Two Year's Interest on the within Indent

£9.17.4

9.17.4

19.14.8

James Spann

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, if any, 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.

² Men who enlisted for ten months beginning in April 1781 in the SC State Troops of Light Dragoons under Hammond were promised wages payable in slaves taken from the Tories. Such 'pay' was known as "Sumter's Wages." When the number of confiscated slaves proved inadequate to pay this horrendous form of payment, the South Carolina Legislature authorized the payment of £94 Sterling in lieu of one grown Negro slave. As a Lieutenant in said Regiment, this veteran was entitled to one grown and one small Negro slave. The indent issued to him is in lieu of that horrendous form of payment.