

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Hammond SC5470  
Audited Account No. 3274

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[p 5: Printed form of Indent No. 14 Book M dated first of October 1784 “delivered to Mr. John Hammond late Quarter Master in Lieut. Col. Sam. Hammonds [Samuel Hammond’s] Regiment<sup>2</sup> of State Troops this our INDENTED CERTIFICATE for the Sum of One Hundred Forty One pounds Sterling being the Ballance of Pay and Bounty due him for Services in that Regiment Together with Interest thereon from the first April 1782 to date hereof Agreeable to Resolution of General Assembly of the Eleventh March last &c.”]

[pp 6-7: images of the reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements, among others, including the following:

Received 28<sup>th</sup> April 1785 from the Commissioners of the Treasury Seven Pounds two Shillings & Nine Pence in part of the within by discount in Purchase of 306 Acres of Land granted Joseph Hightower

John Hammond

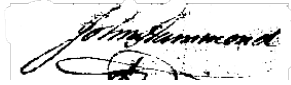
April 29<sup>th</sup> 1785 Then Received of Messrs Thayer & Bartlet The Contents of the within Indent in full, in Consequence whereof I do hereby assign & acknowledge & convey to the said Messrs. Thayer & Bartlett & to their Assigns all my right Title claim Interest & Demand to the Contents of the Balance of the same against the State [of South] Carolina Witness my hand

John Hammond

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Men who enlisted for ten months beginning in April 1781 in the SC State Troops of Light Dragoons under Hammond were promised a bounty and wages payable in slaves taken from the Tories. Such ‘pay’ was known as “Sumter’s Wages.” When that horrific form of payment could not be made because too few slaves were confiscated from the Tories, by act dated March 21, 1784, the SC Legislature authorized the payment in pounds Sterling deemed to equal the value of the slaves not delivered (to wit, £94 Sterling for one ‘grown Negro’ and £47 Sterling for one ‘small Negro.’) That act also exonerated Sumter and the troops under his command from liability due to plundering of the estates from which the slaves were taken. The amount of this indent indicates that the veteran was entitled to one grown and one small slave.



[Transcribers note: Although not a claim for services, I have included the following in this Database because it is a unique reference to a Negro slave having acted as a gunsmith.

[p 3]

No. 62

No. 522

Lib. [Book] V} 19<sup>th</sup> of August 1785

John Hammond, for 231 days hire of a Negro Gunsmith from 4<sup>th</sup> February to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1779, at 4/8 [four Shillings and eight pence] Stg. [Sterling]

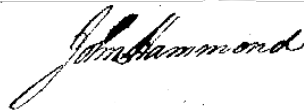
Amount £53.18/

Ex<sup>d</sup> J. M<sup>c</sup>. A. G. [Examined by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

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Rec'd August 19<sup>th</sup>, 1785 the full Amount of the within Account in a Treasury Indent No. 522 V

John Hammond



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