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South Carolina documents pertaining to David Lockwood SCS3  
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State of S. Carolina

To the Honorable the President and members of the Honorable House of Senate for the State of So Carolina

The Memorial of David Lockwood a native of the above State.

That your Memorialist has sacrificed a pritty Independency which he and family enjoy'd in the County of Norfolk; also a Valuable Commission with a certainty of promotion in the British Service, and for his declaration of being an American born, and his attachment to his Country; he was ordered into close confinement on board his own Ship for many weeks, and was to have been sent to England a State Prisoner; but being fotunately taken by a French Frigate, was carried into Martineco [Martinique] and set at liberty where he took his passage for North Carolina, and proceeded from thence to this place, and arrived in Charlestown in February 1778 and made a tender of his service, to His Excellency the Governor, who was pleased to Honor him with the appointment of being Commodore of all the States arm'd Vessels and Inspector of the Marine Department; which Duty he faithfully discharged, to the satisfaction of His Excellency and the Navy Board, without Fees or reward; except some triffling rations, which he sometimes drew; your memorialist acknowledges the receipt of Two Thousand State Dollars from the Treasury, which was laid out for Cabin Stores for the State Ship Bricole; and much more which is unaccounted for, or noticed by your Memorialist; who Humbly prays that his case may be taken into consideration and grant him such Relief as they shall think adequate; to his great losses, and for his past Service; and your/ Memorialist will ever pray &c.

Charlestown 6<sup>th</sup> February 1783

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. Lockwood". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat stylized.

Your memorialist does not desire to be Burthensome or to prey upon the vitals of his distress'd Country; but wishes to be paid for the time he was in Actual Service; it being 324 Days as he has a family and six motherless Children; he also hopes to be of further service either in his own line of Duty, or should be happy to be Honored with the appointment of being Collector of this port (if no other is appointed) as he can give any security required for his faithfully discharging that trust; as the Honorable the Speaker and the rest of the members of the Honorable House of representatives are generally unacquainted with Naval Service I beg leave to observe that the pay of a Captain of the same rate of the Bricole States Ship, was a fourth rate so called in the British Navy is 13/9 p Diem and is allowed one Servant for every 20 Men which he receives 17/6 p. Month for, and if he is a Commodore he receives 12/ Sterling p. Diem for his Table & one Fourth part of all the prizes he takes; whatever the Honorable Gentlemen shall think him deserving, he shall be Thankfull.