

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

MAJ. SAMUEL FINLEY'S ACCOUNT OF MONEY ADVANCED TO VARIOUS VIRGINIA
CONTINENTAL OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS, AUGUST 1781

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

Account – Maj'r. Sam'l. Finley [Samuel Finley, pension application W10026] against Virg'a. Officers & Soldiers

Entered in Small Alphabetical Book

These charges have been generally attended to & C'n given therefor


The following Officers and Soldiers have passed their receipts for the Sums annexed to their respective names, in August 1781.

Names Officers		State Money Dols
Fran's Brooke Lieut Art'ry [Francis Brooke]	3	33833
Dan'l Bedinger Liut Infant'y [Daniel Bedinger]	4	21875
Nath'l Derby Lieut D[itt]o [Nathaniel Derby]	7	27708
Christ'n Febiger Colo D'o [Christian Febiger]	1	34793
Sam'l Finley Capt D'o [Samuel Finley]		42550
Arthur Lind Capt Lt. & Surgeon	60	56875
Henry Bedinger Lieut Inf'y	9	27708
Alexander Ewing Lieut D'o		27708
Thomas Posey Maj'r D'o	2	56875
Rob't Quarles Lieut D'o [Robert Quarles]	6	21875
Nathan Reed Capt D'o [Nathan Reid]		42550
John Scott Ens[ig]n D'o	4	21875
<u>Jos Scott Capt & Adj[utan]t D'o [Joseph Scott]</u>	8	54179
<u>NonCom[missione]d Officers & Privates</u>		
John Thompson Serj't Maj Inf'y	10	8750
John Smith Ser't D'o		8750
Rob't Plowman D[ru]m Major [Robert Plowman]	12	8750
Mat [?]yland D[rum]mer [Mathew Ryland?; Mathew Nyland?]	12	6416
James McCann Dr'mr	13	6416
Thom Groves D[itto] [Thomas Groves]		6416
Joseph Locke Serjeant	14	8750
James Pattills D		8750
John Kirby Drum'r	15	6416
Benj'a McDonald Drum;r [Benjamin McDonald]		6416
Adam Gough Serj't	16	8750
John Connory Fifer	17	6416
James Pritchard Priv'e	18	5950
John Hughes D		5950
Anderson Claybrook D	19	5950
William Martin D		5950

Alexander Wood	D	20	5950
Francis King	D	27	5950
Solom Alexander	D [Solomon Alexander]	28	5950
Adam McCormick	D		5950
Rich'd Taylor	D [Richard Taylor]	30	5950
Solomon Butt	D		5950
Abner Gordon	D	31	5950
William Rilee	Priv'e	31	5950
Sabert King	D [Sabrit King]	32	5950
Arch's Merit Serjt	[Archelaus Meritt]		3500
James Gray	D'o	33	3500
John Baswell	Priv'e	34	2400
William Freeman	D		2400
Absol Laurence	D [Absolom Laurence]	35	2400
Joseph Green	D	37	2400
John B Jones	D	38	2400
James Evans	D	39	5950
Pat'k Walsh	Serjt [Patrick Walsh]	40	8750
John Brent	Priv'e		2400
John Daylie	D'o [John Daley]	41	2400
John Lyne	D		2400
Will Jackson	D'o [William Jackson]	42	2400
Tho Prewett	D [Thomas Prewett]		2400
Henry Becom	D	43	2400
James B Woodhill	D	44	5950
David Willson	D [David Wilson]	45	5950
Samuel Dobbins	D	50	2400
Henry Morris	D	52	2400
Dan'l Carterman	D [Daniel Carterman]		2400
Benj'a Wheeler	D [Benjamin Wheeler]	53	2400
William Divar	D		2400
John Field	D	54	2400
Drury Scott	D		5950
Thomas Sheldon Musick		55	8750
Peter F Sheldon	D		8750
Thomas French	D	56	8750
John Warner	D	57	8750
Phillip Gough	D	57	8750
John Massie	D	58	8750
George Gillespie	D		8750
James Fitzpatrick	D		5950
William Cruse	D		2400
Richard Gee	D		2400
Benj'a Marshal	D [Benjamin Marshall]		2400
Samuel Taylor	D		2400
Thomas Palmer			2400

Robert Collins		59	6000
James Perkinson			2400
George Tyler		60	5900
William Reid			<u>2400</u>
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Artillery			
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Fortunatus Lidner Serj't		11	8750
Jacob Dienar	D		8750
George Anderson Drum'r		16	8750
Morris Bowers Fife Major		17	8750
Phillip Johnson	Matross [artillery Private]	20	5950
John Brady	D	21	5950
James Angel	D'o	22	5950
Elijah McClanachan	D		5950
Dan'l Gillmore	D [Daniel Gilmore]	23	5950
Patrick Quin	D [Patrick Quinn]		5950
Dunstan Hains	D	24	5950
Zebediah Williams	D		<u>5950</u>
Littleton Sanford	D'o	25	5950
David Boyls	D [David Boyle]		5950
James Elliott	D	26	5950
Robert Doyl	D [Robert Doyle]		5950
Richard Lee	D	27	5950
Charles Boyls	D [Charles Boyle]	28	5950
Jacob Currel	D	29	5950
Thomas May	D	33	2400
John Burkes	D	35	2400
John Plunket	D	36	2400
John McGuire	D'o		2400
Joseph Lewis	D	37	2400
William Taylor	D	38	2400
Thomas Davies	D		2400
William Taylor	D	43	2400
Thomas Taylor	D	44	2400
William Townshend	D	45	2400
John Quin	D [John Quinn]	46	2400
William Prewett	D		2400
Hugh Rork	D [Hugh Roark]	47	5950
John Durham	D		2400
Richard Bain	Mattross	48	2400
William Ashbury	D'o		2400
Benj'a Vyers	D [Benjamin Vyers; Benjamin Viers]	49	2400
Moses Allen	D		2400
Thomas Rosewater	D	50	2400
John Jones	D	51	2400
Moses Oliver	D		2400
Thomas Goodman	D	55	2400
Alexander Gardner	D	59	2400

I do certify upon honor that the preceding acc't. of the distribution of One Million of State Dollars in August 1781, is agreeable to the receipts given by the Officers & Soldiers at the time of the Payments made — [signed] Sam. Finley Maj'r
March 13th 1784

A black and white photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to be 'Sam. Finley'.

At the time I marched to joyn the Southern Army in February 1782, I lodged the receipt book, for the foregoing accounts with the Pay Master for the Virginia Line in expectation of his settling, in my behalf, with the board of Auditors for the disbursment of the money When I returned to Virginia I found nothing had been done in the matter, and am informed that most of the Soldiers have settled their acc'ts. with the State, without attending to what money they rec'd. of me — many of the Officers, it may be, have likewise, for want of recollection, & of the charges being produced against them omitted accounting with the State for what they may be here charged with. Now Sir, as I am accountable for the money, and there is no settling with the State for it, I beg you will receive the Acc't. as here rendered into your Office and by making a Continental Charge of it, oblige suit as cannot produce a certificate for having already settled with the State, to account with you for their respective charges here — and you will

Dr. Sir, much Oblige/ Your very Humble Serv't./ Sam. Finley/ Richmond March 13th 1784
Andrew Dunscomb Esq'r./ Commis'r for Liquidating the/ public acc'ts. with the Virg Line

NOTES:

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In the original the surname is usually followed by the middle initial, if any, then the given name. I have reversed the order here to facilitate searching. Alternative name spellings and pension or bounty-land applications are given in brackets. The original was arranged with two parallel sets (six columns) per page.

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