

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to John Drake SC2456

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[Transcribers Note: This individual did not file a claim for service during the Revolutionary War. I have included a transcript of a document in this file which supplies an important bit of information regarding the death of Major William Benison.²]

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[No.] 99 [Book D]

Mr. John Drake his Account of Provisions and Forage supplied the militia in February 1782, Amounting to £229.10.4 Sterling

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

[p 3: This consists of the listing of the various items of provisions supplied by the claimant dating the taking of the provisions on February 12th, 1782. The account was certified by both Peter Horry as then Lt. Col. and Francis Marion as Brigadier General. The relevant portions of the listing read as follows:

*"The Public Dr. for a Months stay of
Colonel Peter Horry's Cavalry under the
Command of Major William Benson}
1782
Feb^y 12th"*]

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State of South Carolina

Personally appeared John Drake who maketh Oath that the within Account to the Best of his Knowledge and Belief is Just and True, and no part thereof has been received. He further declares that he could not obtain a Certificate from the Commanding Officer Major William Benson [sic] whose party being Surprised by the Enemy, the said Major was killed. Sworn to before me this 23rd May 1783.

S/ J. McCall, JP

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² [William Benison SC499](#)