

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Joshua Faning [Fanning] SC2670  
Audited Account No. 2289A

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Philadelphia January 18<sup>th</sup> 1796

Sir having been Informed by a member of Congress that you are a Friend to the widow & fatherless I write in behalf of the widow and Daughter of the Late Joshua Faning Lieutenant of the Frigate *Randolp* [sic, *Randolph*]<sup>2</sup> that was blown up the Last war having Account of Money loaned<sup>3</sup> by him to the State of South Carolina I beg you will transmit a Statement from your book in what Provision the State has made for the payment of her debts: and Please to Let me know In what Manner I must proceed to recover this money for the widow and the Daughter Molly Faning.

I am Sir your Very Humble Servant

S/ James Swain in behalf of the  
widow and child



Mr. John Lewis Jervays [John Lewis Gervais]  
Loan Officer of the  
State of South Carolina

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<sup>2</sup> *Randolph*. 32 guns, 1777-78. GWA:701, ND3:90, ND4:164, 497, ND5:497, ND6:1200, ND7:1269, ND8:702, ND9:76, 920, ND10:789, Buel:87, SchV:56, C24, Fowler:119, American frigate, Capt Nicholas Biddle, blown up on first cruise from Charleston, 7 Mar 1778, in an engagement in the West Indies with a British warship, the *Yarmouth*, Capt Vincent. ND11:1177, Capt Biddle had instructions for William Bingham on Martinique and other persons in the clandestine aid business at St. Eustatius, Curacao, Cape François, and Mole St. Nicholas.DaviesXIII:1073, XV:44.Volo:89, 90, 91, 112, 132, Capt Samuel Nicholson.Silverstone:4.Paullin:517, served 1777-1778.Chapelle:57, many.Coggins:203. <https://www.awiatsea.com/Hough/Hough%20List%20Q-R.html>

<sup>3</sup> Documents in the file show that Joshua Faning loaned SC £6000 Sterling and £2000 Sterling for which indents were issued to him. Those indents indicate that Simeon Faning acted as Administrator of the estate of Joshua Faning.

