

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Samuel Foster, Sr. SC2858  
Audited Account No. 2515

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[Note: This veteran may be the same man as [Samuel Foster W7303](#) but there simply is not enough information contained in the file relating to [Samuel Foster W7303](#) to determine with certainty his identity.]

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[Book] O [No.] 419 21 April 85 [1785]

Mr. Samuel Foster his Account of Militia Duty per Capt. Pickens's Pay Bills from 1779 to 1783 inclusive and for a horse for Militia use in 1779, also for Duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant]

Amounting to Viz.

82 Days on Horse	£82.0.0
Duty besides per	
Col. Anderson's return	181.0.0
A Baby Mare	<u>76.6.8</u>
[old SC] Currency	<u>£339.6.8</u>
	Stg. [Sterling] £48.9/6 ¼

Ex<sup>d</sup>. W.R. [Examined by W. R. [identity unknown]]

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

[p 3: Repeat of the above information]

Received the 21 April 1785 full satisfaction for the above Account in an Indent No. 419 Lib. O for £48.9.6 ¼ Sterling

S/ Samuel Foster

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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 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.

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[Book] O [No.] 420 No. 28: 21 April 85 [1785]

Mr. Samuel Foster Senior his Account of Militia Duty as private Horseman per Col. Dawson's [Joseph Dawson's] Pay Bill commencing in 1779 & ending in 1782 & for Wagon hire and a Horse Lost in Service in 1780 and 1781 the Whole Amounting to Viz.

129 Days at 20/ [20 shillings old SC currency per day]	£129
a Horse	85
97 Days Wagon	
[illegible text]	<u>388.0.0</u>
Currency	<u>£602.0.0</u>
Stg.	£86.0.0

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

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State of South Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to Samuel Foster Senior  
For Duty per Pay Bills of Capt. Joseph Dawson  
commencing in 1779 & ending in 1782

	48 days	
	<u>81 days</u>	
	129 Days at 20/	£129.0.0
a horse lost in February 1780 per Certificate annexed		85
97 Days Wagon Hire in 80 & 81 per Certificate Do.		<u>388</u>
	Currency	<u>£602</u>
	Stg.	£86.0.0

Received the 21 April 1785 full Satisfaction for the above account in an Indent No. 420 Lib O for £86 Sterling in Virtue of an Order

S/ Samuel Foster

*Samuel Foster*

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Ninety Six District} I do hereby Authorize and Impower Samuel Foster Junior to draw & receive the Indents due to me by the Public for Militia Duty with the Interest due thereon, the accounts thereof [text to faint to discern] into the Auditor's Office by Col. Robert Anderson. Given under my hand the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1785

S/ Samuel foster, Senior

*Samuel Foster, Sen<sup>r</sup>*

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The petition of Samuel Foster praying Remuneration for Services done during the Revolutionary War

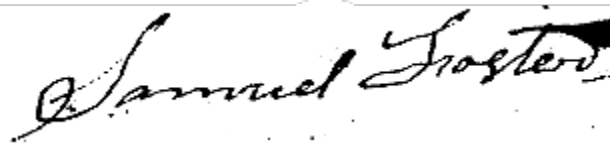
Joseph Black  
a pension Granted

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[To] The Hon. the President and Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

The humble Petition of the Subscriber, Sheweth that he entered the Service of the State as a private Soldier in Capt. Dawson's Company, Col. Pickens [Andrew Pickens'] Regiment in the District of Abbeville, early in the Revolutionary War and he continued in the Service of this State until the end of that War which secured to the United States their Independence and my [word obliterated] of Petitioning your Honorable Body, and your right of granting or refusing my Petition. At the conclusion of the War, I received an Indent as will appear by the Records of this State, in which I was promised to be paid for my Services, which Indent I held for some years, and a futile expectation of receiving a payment accordingly, But being a married man, and in very limited circumstances, and despairing of receiving pay, being conscious it would embarrass the State to perform their promises & pay their debts I was compelled by pure & dire necessity to sell my Indent for a trifle, shortly after, I had the misfortune to be crippled which in addition to my old age and infirmity rendered me incapable of making my support by manual labor, your Petitioner cannot believe that your Hon. Body will consider that this State has discharged the debt due me, by giving me an Indent which I had to sell at Ninety percent discount. This may indeed be a plea in the law, but certainly, I hope, will not be made a plea in your Hon. Body, I entertain sanguine expectations; that liberality and Justice that pervades your house, and for which the State of South Carolina has been so Justly conspicuous will be exerted in my favor, and prevent an Old Revolutionary Soldier from Beggary, he hopes You will make the few remaining Years (perhaps Months) of his life more [word obliterated]-able then they must otherwise be if left to struggle with want, Old age, a debilitated Constitution, and the bitter Reflection that his Country has treated him with Ingratitude & Neglect

S/ Samuel Foster



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We the subscribers do hereby Certify that the within Statement [is] Strictly Correct to the best of our knowledge & belief as Some of us have frequently Served in the same Company with the within petitioner given under our hands on 11 November 1823

S/ John Cochran, (in service with the petitioner)<sup>2</sup>

S/ James Devlin (in service with the petitioner)<sup>3</sup>

S/ Joseph Culpeper

S/ Samuel Foster (in service with the Petitioner)<sup>4</sup>

S/ Andrew Logan

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<sup>2</sup> Either [John Cochran, Jr. SC1415](#) or [John Cochran, Sr. SC1414](#)

<sup>3</sup> [James Devlin S39435](#)

<sup>4</sup> Samuel Foster SC2857

*John Cochran, (in service with the petitioners)*  
*James Devlin (in service with the petitioners)*  
*Joseph Baynes*  
*Samuel Foster (in service with the petitioners)*  
*Thos. Logan*

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Report of the Committee on Claims on the Petition of Samuel Foster

In the 9<sup>th</sup> December 1823

Resolved that this House do agree to the Report

Ordered that it be sent to the House of Representatives for occurrence

By order of Senate

S/ William Martin, Clerk

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The Committee on Claims to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Foster praying remuneration for Revolutionary Services, beg leave to report

That they have had the same under consideration from which it appears that the Petitioner entered into the Service of his Country early in the Revolutionary war as a private in Capt. Dawson's Company under the command of Col. Pickens and that he continued in the Service of this State Until the end of the War, for which Services it appears that he received an indent, which he retained in his Possession a length of time, in a futile Expectation of receiving payment Accordingly but being for many years disappointed he was at length compelled by his necessity to part with his indent for a trifle or in his own words "at Ninety percent Discount" that he has from Patriotic Notions heretofore declined making application for remuneration, but is now obliged to ask it (as he States) in consequence of the Cold hand of Penury & Want, and the Weight of years,

Therefore your Committee Respectfully Recommend that the Petitioner be placed on the Pension List which is to be in full of all claims brought by him against the State

December 6, 1823

S/ John K Griffin, Chairman