

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Philemon Waters SC409 AA5 + 64

Audited Account Microfilm file No. 360 [William Bates] & No. 8244 [self]

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AA 360 for William Bates

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[illegible] [Book] X

William Bates for 52 days wagon hire from 20th April to 10 June 1779 inclusive for Waters' Company in General Williamson's [Andrew Williamson's] Brigade on the Stono² expedition under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] at £4 per day

£208

Sterling

£29.14.3 ¼

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

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South Carolina Ninety Six District} Personally appeared before me [indecipherable]³ Waters Esquire made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God That on the Stono Expedition in 1779 he purchased a wagon and team of William Bates [indecipherable word or abbreviation]⁴ in said Waters' Company of Colonel Jonas Beard's Regiment and also the amounts of Day Due for the time the wagon had been in the service for which the wagon Master's Receipt was Delivered to the said Waters & by him Returned to the Auditor's Office and that the pay for that service is Justly Due to him the said Waters.

Sworn to before me

this 1st Day of March

1786

S/ Jill. Walker, J. P.

S/ P Waters [Philemon Waters]



¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. The "SC" file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

² The battle of Stono Ferry was fought on June 20, 1779.

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Also personally appeared before me Colonel John Lindsey and being sworn as above saith that He was present and knows the above mentioned Circumstances to be the truth and further saith not.

S/ John Lindsey



Sworn to before me
this 1st Day of March 1786
S/ Jill Walker, J. P.

[p 5: Form of Indent No. 1714 Book X issued March 3rd, 1786 to Philemon Waters for William Bates deceased in the Sum of £29.14.344 Wagon hire in 1779 in General Williamson's Brigade.]

From AA8244

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Principal Indent Dated 1 Oct. 1784

Book M No. 475 To Philemon Waters Esqr.

Principal Sum £173.1.4

Nothing paid thereon

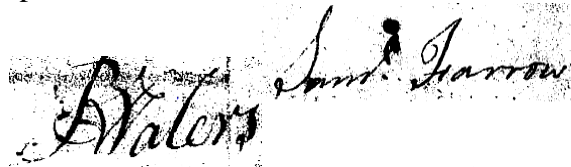
Annual Interest £12.2.3

[p 8: Form of Indent No. 475, Book M dated 1st October 1785 issued to "Philemon Waters Esqr. Late Captain in Thomas's Regt. Sumpter's Brigade State Troops ...for the Sum of One hundred and Eighty Eight pounds Sterling amount pay & bounty due him for Services in that Regiment with Interest thereon from the first of April 1782 to date hereof...." The principal sum is marked through and the sum of £173.1.4 substituted for it. The Indent is signed by Thomas Sumter.



[p 18: Form of Indent No. 2004 Book X dated March 23rd, 1786 delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire "for the Sum of twenty-four pounds eighteen shillings and ten pence Sterling for arrears of Cloathing due to Philemon Waters Son of Thomas Waters, Jacob Presnoll, Dennis Bates & Joshua Jacobs [?] of Colonel Thomas's Regiment Sumter's Brigade of State Troops per Certificates from the Commissioners for adjusting Sumter's Brigade accounts and Resolution of the general Assembly 1786."]

[p 19: reverse of the above Indent bears endorsement by Philemon Waters and Samuel Farrow.



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[p 20: Form of Indent No. 2005, Book X dated March 23, 1786 delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire “for the Sum of thirty pounds nine shillings Sterling for arrears of Clothing due to John Waldrop, Westwood Waters, William Willson and James Corck [James Calk] of Colonel Thomas’s [John Thomas Junior’s] Regiment Sumter’s Brigade State Troops per Certificates from the Commissioners for adjusting the said Brigade accounts and the Resolve of the General Assembly 1786.” p 21 has the same endorsements as on page 19 above.]

[p 22: Form of Indent No. 2006, Book X dated March 23, 1786 delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire “for the Sum of twenty-two pounds two shillings six pence Sterling for arrears of Cloathing due to Shadrach Knowland [Shadrach Nolen], Benjamin Roberts, James Turner and Thomas Turner all of Colonel Thomas’s Regiment Sumter’s Brigade State Troops per Certificates from the Commissioners for adjusting the said Brigade’s accounts and resolution of the General Assembly 1786.” p 23 has the same endorsements as on page 19 above.]

[p 24: Form of Indent No. 2007, Book X dated March 23, 1786 delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire “for the Sum of thirty pounds five Shillings and two pence Sterling for Articles of Cloathing due to David Johnson, William Downes [William Downs], James Clarke, James Chitwood and John Collins all of Colonel Thomas’ Regiment Sumter’s’ Brigade State Troops per Certificate from the Commissioners for adjusting the said Regiment’s Accounts and Resolution of General Assembly 1786.” p 25 has the same endorsements as on page 19 above.]

[p 26: Form of Indent No. 2008, Book X dated March 23, 1786 Delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire “for the Sum of Eighteen pounds Eleven Shillings and six pence Sterling for arrears of Clothing do himself as Captain in Colonel Thomas’s Regiment Sumter’s Brigade of State Troops per Certificate from the commissioners for adjusting the said Brigade Accounts & Resolution of General Assembly 1786.” P. 27 contains endorsements of P. Waters only.]

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[illegible]

X No. 110 5 May 86 [1786]

Philemon Waters

Colo.

for Militia duty in Waters’s Regiment before the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Per Anderson’s [Colonel Robert Anderson’s] Return

Amounting to [old South Carolina] Currency

£39

Stg. [Sterling]

£5.11.5

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

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Received 5 May 1786 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full Satisfaction for the Above in An Indent No. 2680 Book X.

S/ P. Waters



[p 30 Form of Indent 2680, Book X dated May 5, 1786 issued to Col. Philemon Waters for his service in Waters's Regiment.]

[p 33]

[illegible]

Y 6 May 86 [1786]

Philemon Waters, for 255 days duty as Captain in General Pickens' [Andrew Pickens] Brigade from 21st April 1782 to 31 December following both days inclusive at 60/ per day

[old South Carolina] Currency	£765
Stg. [Sterling]	£109.5.8 ½

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

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State of South Carolina

Philemon Waters

Dr.

Two hundred & fifty-five days Militia duty as Captain of a Station on Saluda [River] in General Pickens' Brigade – commencing the 21st of April 1782 and ending the 21st of December following – both days included at three pounds old currency per day or £765 Reduced to Sterling is £109.5.8 ½

S/ P. Waters

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Received 6 May 1786 full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 1136 Y

S/ P. Waters

[p 37: Form of Indent No. 1136, Book Y for £109.5.8 ½]

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[illegible]

X 7 July 86 [1786]

Philomel Waters

Say Philemon

For 123 Days Duty as Captain of Horse from the 20th March 1780 to the 4th June 1781 alternately in Colonel Water's Regiment

Charged [old South Carolina] Currency	£415.2.6
Add more	<u>15.7.6</u>
Currency	<u>£430.10.0</u>
Sterling	£61.10

[p 41]

Received 7 July 1786 full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 3249, X
S/ P. Waters

[p 42: Form of Indent No. 3249, Book X dated July 7th, 1786 delivered to Mr. Philemon Waters for the sum of 61 pounds 10 shillings Sterling for duty done as a Captain of Horse in Colonel Waters Regiment per Account audited.]

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[illegible]

Philemon Waters

his account for a Gelding taken by Order of General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] to draw the Artillery belonging to the French Army from the Batteries before Savannah to Thunder Bolt which said gelding was lost & appraised at \$2400 which with depreciation in December 1779 3233 [illegible]

Currency	£120.12.7 ¼
Sterling	£17.4.7 ¾

N. B. This account alt to be settled by the French Consul

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

[p 57: Form of Indent No. 88, Book Z dated January 23rd, 1787 delivered to Philemon Waters Esquire in the Sum of 20 pounds 4 shillings and 7 pence Sterling for a gelding to draw the Artillery belonging to the French Army from the Batteries before Savannah to Thunder Bolt]

[p 60]

To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives &c &c &c
The Petition of Philemon Waters
Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner at his own expense Raised & equipped a Troop of Horse in General Sumter’s Brigade of Cavalry without putting the State to one farthing of Expense and at the Expiration of ten months the term of enlistment your Petitioner paid off the Troop to a man and as the Horses, Saddles, Bridles and other Furniture at that time was very dear it cost your Petitioner a considerable sum to equip the Troop as above, though your Petitioner made use of these articles in paying off his Troops still your Petitioner most Humbly Conceives, the Service of the Horses & wearage of the Equipment is a Claim your Petitioner is entitled to as none of those articles were lost belonging to the Troop, consequently the State had nothing to pay but what was promised for enlistment In which case your Petitioner humbly Conceives himself entitled to pay for the service of his Horses &c – whereupon your Petitioner rest his case entirely with the wisdom and Justice of this House to grant him such relief as they in their wisdom shall deem meet

and your Petitioner as in duty bound will pray
S/ P. Waters

[p 62: word for word identical petition to the SC Senate]

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The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Philemon Waters
Report

that they have considered the same and are of Opinion that some compensation should be allowed the petitioner for his Supplies to the State Troops as set forth in his petition. Recommended that a law be past [sic] for that purpose--

[Note: The following document was found filed with the papers of Col. John Thomas Jr in the online archives of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. Its reference information is Archives ID: Series: S165015 Year: 1785 Item: 00090 ignore: 000]

To the Honorable President and Members of the Honorable Senate of the State of South Carolina
The Memorial of Philemon Waters of the State aforesaid
Humbly Sheweth

That your Memorialist to Establish the Liberties and freedom of this State did Raise a Troop of Horse under the command of Colonel John Thomas, and entered them in General Sumpters [Thomas Sumter's] Regiment the 4th June 1781 –

The Proclamation was a Negro to each Private that would enlist for Ten Months; the Circumstances of the times occasioned the Men to fear they never would get Paid, and to Satisfy them that there was not the least danger, I never required pay for myself; but sometime in the Month of July or August same year the Man Seemed much dissatisfied and Commotions seemed to arise in the Camps at a Place called Brown's old field at Congarees, I used all the Influence in my Power to appease them, telling them they had proved themselves good Soldiers on some Occasions & hoped they would continue so to do & promised that if the Publick never paid them, I would as far as my little all would go, I pacified them, and they returned to their Duty until Discharged or at least Disbanded; the 25th of March was appointed to meet and Receive Payment and from that put off until the 15th of April following, but no pay being provided for them, the Men called on me to fulfill my Engagement to them Alleging that some of them lived in Virginia and elsewhere, and would not Wait; I made use of my Credit and Satisfied the most urgent of them, others I put off that was not so pressing and that lived near me until the Evacuation of Charleston and until the meeting of the General Assembly when they expected to receive ample Reward for their Services, but being disappointed, they again called on me for their Wages, & knowing myself bound in Honor could not put them off, but I have (by Selling part of what the British left me and drawing on my Merchant in Town) Satisfied them –

The Merchant now calls on me for a Settlement of my Account, and finding myself unable to discharge the Same your Memorialist Prays that your Honorable House will give an Order that the Young and old Negroes that were served out in Colonel Thomas's Regiment but not coming under the Description of the Proclamation amounting to 12 or 13 Young & Old, may be invested in your Memorialist who will give any Security to the Public that these men will never make any demand against the Publick for the services in said Troop, or give him any other relief as in your Wisdom shall think meet & Your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever Pray

Signed

P Waters

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "P Waters", written in dark ink on a light background. The signature is positioned below the printed name "P Waters".

[Note: From [Henry Miller SC4810](#)]

[p 2]

On the States Service

Benjn. Waren [Warren?] Esqr.

P. M.

T: Waters

[p 3]

Sr [Sir] Mr thos ^{w.}Waters I Make No Doubt

hath Exlamd [exclaimed] aganst [against] Me for trite ing [treating]

him ill in the way of his Colleckshon [collection]

Perhaps I Mought [?] for I Belive [believe] if I had

Not a Detecktd [attacked] him I Mout [must] a Bin [of been] in Wors [worse]

surcumstane [circumstance] But I wish the Danger May

Be over pray Sir in Quier [inquire] What Returns

hath Bin [been] Made for ye year 1788 in Spisch [Special?]

Indents & whether any hath Bin [been] Made

and how Much of that years Tax hath Bin [been] Paid

--I am told you Sent a Letter to Me to

Desist from puting [putting] ye Exacushon [execution] on his Body

in fors [?] he hath Shune [shown?] Sich [such] a Letter to others

But Not to Me—DrSr [Dear Sir] I hope youl [you will] give

Me the Best in for Mushon [information] you Can how

Matters Stands With Mr. Waters in ye Way of ye Tox [tax]

--I paid pout om My one [own] purs [purse] for the Last

Express I sent you I hope youl [you will] pay of of ye

publicks [public's] for this as I think it all Consens [concerns]

the State I have agreed [agreed] with ye Bard [Board] hear [here]

of for three Dollers [Dollars] & he Can give you a Count [account]

of henry Miller.

I am Dr [Dear] Sr [Sir] yours to Cummd [Command]

B: Waren Esqr.

S/ P Waters [Philemon Waters]⁵

⁵ [Philemon Waters SC409](#)

Mr. Waters I Make No Doubt
hath declared a garnet Me for writing
him ill in the way of his Collection
Perhaps I thought you'd believe if I had
not a Detected him I Mout a Bin in words
circumstance But I wish the Danger May
Be over prays the Quier what Returns
hath Bin Made for ye year 1788 in Speck
Indents or whether any hath Bin Made
and how much of that years Tax hath Bin Paid
— I am to you sent a Letter to Me to
Desist from putting of Execution on his Body
in for he hath shone such a Letter to others
But not to Me — I hope you give
Me the Word in for Murther you can how
Matters stand With Mr. Waters in way of Tax
— I paid out of My own purs for the last
Express sent you I hope you'd pay out of
publicks for this as I think it all concerns
the State I have a great wish of your hear
of for three Dollars or he can give you a Count
of Henry Miller
I am D. yours to Comon
G. Warren Esq. Waters

[p 4]

Fare Spring ye 17th Sepr. 1793

Dr Sr [Dear Sir]

The inershon [inversion] of Man ye past finding out
other wise William Nelson & George Owens
Would Never a Shuded [?] out the in Vershon [inversion] to gett [get]
Money from the publick of this State for ye

Servis [service] of henry Miller Desest [deceased] By applying
to ye Wido [widow] Lidy Miller to Purshuse [purchase] hrir [her] Right
of annuaty [annuity] Now Sr [Sir] Mr. henry Miller was
in My Cumpany [Company] in the Beginning of ye Warr [War]
and I assert I Never Culd [could] git [get] one Howers [hour's]
Servis [service] for the State out of him But after the
fall of Cha^stun [Charleston]⁶ he turnd [turned] out in Be half [behalf] of
ye British & I Met him on the Rode [road] as
I Returned home from Confinement of his
Being Sent to ye Hand [?] a Driving a wagen [wagon]
in the British Servis With the Simtoms [symptoms]
of ye Small Pox & in a Short time after
I was in formed [informed] he Died With ye Small Pox
I affirm this to Be the Histry of Henry Miller
that Mr. Willm Nelson is So Desierus [desirous] to Serve the
Wido [widow] of Lidiy Miller Was to get any thing
By it only to Be a Cind [kind?] of Cats paw Be twene [Between]
Ham [?] & purgery [perjury] – I think Mr Blackston
Says in his Comments any person procuring
an other [another] to back a falls [false] oath is gilty [guilty] of porgery [perjury]
To this infirmashon [information] I hope you tack Miskins a Cordenly [????]

N:B:

the year he Rec'd [received] Spishel [special]
in Dents [Indents] I was appntd [?] By the
Lews [Laws?] Later & he Nomanald [nominated?] By the
govner [Governor] in My Std [stead?] the Every thing was
Carried there in My Name Such as ye
Tax Bill & in Struckshons [instructions] from the
trishurers [treasurers] & &

⁶ Battle of Charleston <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/>
& <https://allthingsliberty.com/2020/10/britains-last-throw-of-the-dice-begins-the-charlestown-campaign-of-1780/>

Evening of 17th Sept 1793

I of the invasion of Man if past funding out
other wise William Nelson or George Owens
422.44
101—
8.8.9
532.13.5
Would have studied out the in Urushon to gett
Money from the publick of this State for of
Service of being Miller Desist. By applying
to of Wido Lady Miller to ~~Parliament~~ has right
of annuity show ~~W. Henry~~ Miller was
259.10.11
21.4.8
316.2.7
in My Comproing in the ~~Regency~~ of War
and I appt of Miller ~~to get~~ one Howers
Service for the state out of him But after the
fall of Chatham he turn out in the ~~traff~~ of
of British or I met him on the Road as
I Returnd home from Confinement of two
Being lead to of Man a Driving a wagen
in the British Service with the Simtoms
of Small pox or in a short time after
I was in form he died with of Small Pox
I affirm this to be the History of Henry Miller
that Mr Will^m Nelson is so Desirous to Serve the
Wido of Lady Miller Tho at the same time it Don
offer the poor woman Was to gett any thing
By it only to be a ~~kind~~ of Cats paw betwene
Them or perjury — I think Mr Blackston
says in his Comments any person procuring
an other to take a false oath is guilty of perjury
So this information I hope your ~~teach~~ ~~Mich~~ ~~aff~~ ~~sh~~

The year he finished
in debts I was offered by the
law later to be redeemed by the
government by the every thing was
carried there in my hand such as of
100 to 150 in instructions from the
business

[p 6]

Sir Please Deliver to Thomas Williams all my Indent or Indents in your office for services done in the Continental Line in the State of South Carolina in Col. Thompson's Regiment.

I have sold said Indents and received value for the same

I am Sir your H S

S/ Henry Miller, X his mark

William Hort Esquire Treasurer

None in Charleston

Richland County } Britton Spelling made oath that he did see the above named Henry Miller make his mark on the above order sworn before me this 27th August 179' [sic]

S/ Richard Be??, J. P.

S/ Britton Spelling, B his mark

[p 7]

To The Honorable Robert Barnwell Speaker of the House of Representatives

1795 3rd Dec. Petition of P. Waters

Genl. Anderson

Mr. Starke Mr. Threewits

[p 8]

To the honorable Mr. Speaker of the house of representatives

Dr Sr. [Dear Sir]

I made an information in December 1793 in the House of Representatives against Benjamin Inman, Thomas Roll & John A. Summers [sic, John Adam Sumer] three of the justices for Lexington [Lexington] County for Signing a false Sertifuate [Certificate] for one Lyda Miller widow of Henry Miller deceased for her annuity by which means upwards of fifty pounds were drawn out of the Treasury. Henry Miller died in the service of the British, was a noted outyer [outlier] till the fall of Charleston and then joined the British at Granbey [Granby], and died with the smallpox on the rode [road] driving a waggon from Charleston to that Post, there is witnesses Enough to prove what I assert. When I made the information as above there was a Committy [committee] appointed and reported in favour of the State but the report was never taken up. If a

Comitty is appointed I will wait on it to give information; and am with due respect your most obedient and humble Servant

S/ P Waters [Philemon Waters]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'P Waters', enclosed within a rectangular border.

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Report of a Letter from Philemon Waters respecting Pension formally drawn out of ye Treasury to be considered tomorrow

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The Committee to whom was referred a letter from Col. Waters stating that a Person by the name of Lydia Miller had improperly Received a Certificate for drawing a Pension out of the treasury

Report that on inquiry into the facts contained in said letter and on examining the certificate remaining in the Treasury find that Benjamin Inman, Thomas Roll & John Adam Summer three justices of the peace for Orangeburg District did certify to the treasury that the said Lydia Miller was entitled to receive a Pension [undeciphered word or abbreviation] from the State which said Certificate was endorsed by the said Lydia Miller to one William Nelson of Fairfield County on which the said William Nelson did Actually receive fifty three Pounds it also appears to your Committee on the Information of Col. Waters that it is Highly probable the said justices knew at the time of making the said Certificate the said Lydia Miller was not entitled to a Pension Your Committee also find that Daniel Odom of Orangeburg District has Received a pension to the Amount of thirty five Pounds not being entitled so to do it also appears to your Committee John Blakney of York County has received a Pension to the Amount of twenty Pounds the said John Blackney [sic] being a Prisoner of the Americans at the time of receiving his Wounds. In the two last cases it does not appear to your Committee whether the magistrates are blameable or not. Your Committee Therefore recommend that the Solicitors each in his circuit be directed to take effectual measures to recover back the said Pensions & that the Treasurer at Columbia do immediately furnish the said Solicitors with such papers & Certificates as may be necessary to facilitate the said Recovery & that the said Solicitors do issue Subpoenas for Col. Waters in the case of Lydia Miller, John Bloom in the case of Daniel Odom & Col. Bratton [William Bratton] in the case of John Blakeny to be & appear at the next Courts of Common Pleas to be holden in their respective Districts in order to give any further or necessary Information relative to the Drawing of said Pensions.

Your Committee also recommend that the Solicitors for the Southern Circuit be directed & required to commence a Prosecution or Prosecutions against the said Justices of the peace for Orangeburg as for a Misdemeanor in their said offices.