

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to John Kelley SC4519 pp 37

Audited Account No. 4208

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No. 2575 book X

29 April 1786

John Kelly for Militia duty in Waters's [Philemon Waters'] Regiment part as Qr. Mr. [Quarter Master] since the fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] per Anderson's [Col. Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant] –

[old South Carolina] Currency £364.10

Stg. [Sterling] £52.1.5

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

[p 10: Restatement of the veteran's services as set forth above except in a slightly different format.]

Rec'd 29<sup>th</sup> April 1786 full Satisfaction for the above Account in an Indent No. 2575 – X  
S/ John Kelly, X his mark

Test

S/ Thomas Nicholls

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May 11<sup>th</sup> 1792

Sir Please to Deliver the Bearer Mr. William McKnight Indents to the amount of my Account in your office for Military Duty – off otherwise my pay Bill it Lying in the office or Certified as I have Impowered him the sd McKnight to act for me and in my Name to give you Receipt –

In presence of

S/ Edward Good, Esquire

I am Sir your Humble Servant

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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.

S/ John Kelley

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Kelley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below a horizontal line.

[p 13: Printed form of Indent No. 2575 Book X]

[p 14: Reverse of the above Indent bearing, among others, an endorsement purportedly given by the veteran, again signing with his mark. Note: The fact that the veteran signed several documents with his mark calls into question the legitimacy of the signature appearing on the document by which the veteran purportedly empowered McKnight to receive his Indent. On the other hand, it is hard to imagine someone being appointed as a quartermaster who was illiterate and unable to even sign his own name.]