

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Benjamin Ladd, Sr. SC4757
Audited Account No. 4396.5

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1796

15 Decr/ Resolution for granting sundry Indents to William McCants, Benjamin Ladd Senior and Junior

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In the Senate December 19th 1796

Resolved that the Commission for Settling Public Accounts be authorized and directed to issue Certificates that are Already made out and remaining in his office to Mr. William McCants for three pounds five Shillings and three pence

To Benjamin Ladd Senior for five pounds four shillings and three pence

To Benjamin Ladd Junior for ten pounds eight Shillings and six pence.

And To any other person or persons in the same Situation as that of Mr. McCants, & Benjamin Ladd Senior and Junior

Ordered, That the Resolution be sent to the House of Representatives for their concurrence.

By order of the Senate

S/ Felix Warley, CS [Clerk of the Senate]

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In the Senate December 5th, 1797

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen.

This house request that your House will expedite the Resolution [undeciphered word] William McCants, Benjamin Ladd Senior, and Benjamin Ladd Senior, which this House, sent for the concurrence of your House on the 19th day of December last

By order of the Senate

S/ David Ramsey, President

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Benj.ⁿ Ladd Senior
for Military Duty
in Marshall's [John Marshal's]
Regiment } £8

Allowed £5.14.3 [sic] but
no Person has applied
for the Certificate –
Rejected £2.15.9 not
being properly certified

Benj.ⁿ Ladd Junr.
for Militia Duty £10.8.6}

Allowed but
no Person has
applied for the
claim –

The above is an extract from the Commissioners Book B Page 6
for Robert Witherspoon Presid.
S/ James S. Guignard
Clerk

Treasury office
Columbia 6 December 1799

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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate
The Memorial of Benjamin Ladd Senior and Benjamin Ladd Junior Humbly Sheweth –
That your Memorialists have certain Claims on the Public, for which Certificates have
been made out; but the same cannot be delivered to them by reason that the time limited for that
purpose has expired, without a special order of the Legislature

Your Memorialists therefore humbly pray that their case may be considered and such
relief afforded them, as to Your honorable body shall seem meet.² And your Petitioner's will ever
pray &c

Witness

S/ James Blakeney

S/ Benjamin Ladd, Junr., B his mark
for himself & in behalf of his father's
Benjamin Ladd, Senr.
December 9th 1799

² In Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of 1755, the first definition of the word "meet" he gives is "Fit; proper...." Johnson noted that even at that time the word "meet" was rarely so used. It must have become fairly popular in South Carolina in the early 1800's, however, as it appears in many petitions submitted to the SC Legislature.