

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to David Neeley [Neely] SC5261  
Audited Account No. 5451

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[No. 623 Book W August 27, 1785] Mr. David Neely his Account of Sundries for Militia use in 1780

Amounting to £35.14.3 ¼ Stg. [Sterling]

N: B: A Horse charge £110 Currency or £15.14 [paper torn and text missing] not certified

Pass for Fifteen Pounds [this indent was actually issued for £20 Sterling]

J S

Received 27 August 85 [1785] full Satisfaction for this Account in Indent 623 W per order  
Robert Knox



Rec'd the above balance of 15 pounds 14/five in an indent No. 6B Book Z  
£15.14.3

James Elsinore



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State So. Carolina Dr. [Debtor] to David Neely

|      |  | £   | S | D |
|------|--|-----|---|---|
| 1780 | to 35 Days at Fort Lacey with Jos. Boggs at Twinty Shillings per day<br>Sertified by me Joseph Boggs | £35 | 0 | 0 |

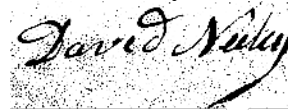
<sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number, if any, 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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|--|--|-----|----|--------|
|  | <i>Joseph Bogs</i>   |     |    |        |
|  | To 45 days Capt. Cooper's Pay Bill   | 45  | 0  | 0      |
|  | To 60 Days foot & 30 Horse Capt. Hanna's Pay Bill                              | 60  | 0  | 0      |
|  | To One Horse appraised by Aaron Bogs Robert Tate                               | 110 | 0  | 0      |
|  | N:B: the charges for Militia duty are included in Pay Bills which are attested | 250 | 0  | 0      |
|  | Total  |     |    |        |
|  | Sterling   | £35 | 14 | 3<br>¼ |

Charleston May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1785 Gentlemen

I do hereby authorize and impower Robert Knox to receive an Indent for the amount of my account against the Publick for Service &c  
To Edward Blake & Peter Bocquet Esquires  
Commissioners of the Publick Treasury

David Neeley



This is to Certify that I have received Accounts & Vouchers Against ye Public from David Neely to Amount £250

William Tate, C. A.

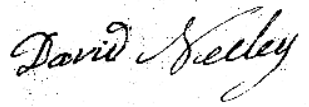
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Gentlemen

Charleston 25 May 1786

Please to deliver whatever Indents I may have in the Treasury to Mr. James Elsinore, and his Receipt shall be sufficient from Gentlemen your humble Servant

David Neeley



To Messrs. Peter Bocquett  
& James Mitchell Treasurers

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The petition of David Neely praying to be placed on the pension List  
report in favor for a pension

Pensions

G. B. Colvin

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To the Honorable the house of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The humble petition of David Neely shows to your Honorable body that during the war of the revolution he was a soldier in the service of the State of South Carolina that he served

under Col. Lacey [Edward Lacey] at the taking of the Congaree Fort [Fort Granby]<sup>2</sup> that he served a tour at Orangeburg but does not recollect the officer that Commanded that he served in other detachments at several times during the latter part of the war from the lapse of time it is impossible for him to procure the Certificate of the officers under whom he served as he believes they are all dead –

He would further state to your Honorable body that during that time he lost two valuable horses which were taken from him by the Tories but that he is unable to procure the evidence of any person but one which your petitioner presents, your petitioner would state that he is now old and infirm man unable to support himself by labour – and it is for that reason that he now throws himself upon the bounty and liberality of his country hoping that the [they] will bestow upon him that pittance which the [they] in their wisdom may think meet<sup>3</sup> to assist him and his aged Companion on, in traveling down the rugged [rugged] vale of life that his gray hairs may not descend in want and sorrow to the grave and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

David Neely

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State of South Carolina York District } We whose names are subscribed below inhabitants of the state and District above mentioned, do hereby Certify that we are personally acquainted with David Neely, some of us having known him upwards of 20 years and he has always supported the character of an honest industrious Citizen of good moral character, though now old age has debilitated him he being 74 years of age, in this situation he is left with a Wife older than himself, neither of them unable to support themselves in decency.

|                        |                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| John Bates Senior      | <i>John Bates Senr</i>    |
| Thomas Robertson       | <i>Thomas Robertson</i>   |
| Hugh Drennan, JP       | <i>Hugh Drennan J.P.</i>  |
| William Drennan        | <i>William Drennan</i>    |
| John Polk              | <i>John Polk</i>          |
| John McClenahan        | <i>John McClenahan</i>    |
| Thomas Reid JQ         | <i>Thomas Reid J. Q.</i>  |
| J Boyd JP              | <i>J. Boyd J.P.</i>       |
| William Clinton        | <i>Wm. Clinton</i>        |
| James Mclure           | <i>James Mclure</i>       |
| William Gilmore        | <i>Wm. Gilmore</i>        |
| John A. Dunlap         | <i>John A. Dunlap</i>     |
| Charles Boyd Jur.      | <i>Charles Boyd Jur.</i>  |
| William [undeciphered] | <i>Wm. [undeciphered]</i> |

<sup>2</sup> May 14-15, 1781 [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_fort\\_granby\\_2.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_fort_granby_2.html)

<sup>3</sup> 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.

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South Carolina York District} David Neeley personally of came before me and made oath as the law directs on oath Saith that he had been a soldier in the service of the State Militia in the Revolutionary war and that in the times of the War he said deponent did lose two horses worth one hundred dollars for which he said deponent on oath Saith he hath never received any remuneration or value for either directly or indirectly. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12<sup>th</sup> November A.D. 1825 before

Thomas Reid, J Q

David Neely

[p 11: Same petition as transcribed above except this one is addressed to the South Carolina Senate]

[pp 12-17: administrative documents leading to the granting of the prayer of the petition]

[pp 18-20: vouchers reflecting the annual payment to David Neely of the sum of \$60 commencing June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1826 and ending May 29, 1834]